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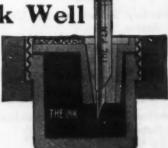
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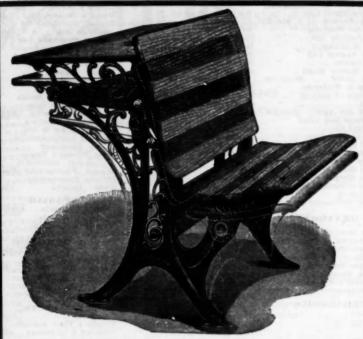
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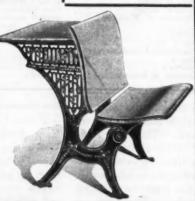
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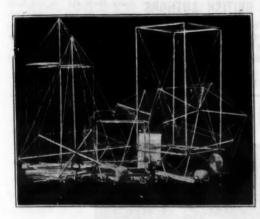


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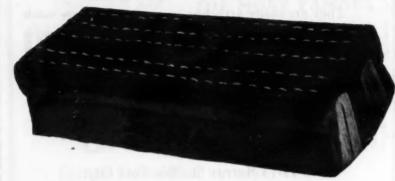
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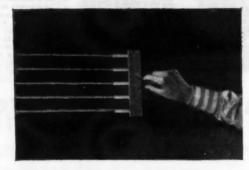
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A district treasurer paid a teacher for two-months' services; said teacher did not hold a certificate at the time the services were rendered. Q.—Was the act of the treasurer legal or illegal? A.—Clearly illegal. The treasurer should pay him no money except on an order properly drawn for a lawful purpose by the district clerk, countersigned by the director. Section 502 of the Wisconsin Statutes places a penalty upon every district clerk who shall lawfully draw an illegal order payable from the district treasury, and every director who shall countersign such order of not less than \$20 nor more than \$100.

Our district is quite large and has a large school population, many of whom in order to reach the present school site travel a distance of over two miles. There is population enough and territory enough to easily maintain two schools. Q .- Is there anything in the statutes preventing district from having two separate houses located in different parts of the district, but under the management of one board? A .-There is not; a school district may erect as many school-houses as are needed in order to accommodate the school population, and the electors have also the power to designate where said buildings shall be located. The only prohibtion upon the size of the district is the one found in Section 412, which provides that a school district shall not contain more than thirty-six square miles.

Our school is graded. A considerable number of persons of school age living in adjoining districts, but as convenient to the school-house in our district as they are to the school-house in their district, desire to be admitted to our school. The electors at the last annual meeting instructed the board to admit pupils from outside districts and charge them a tuition fee of twentyfive cents per week. Q.—Was this action of the electors legal? A.—Yes, the electors have power to authorize the district board to admit to the privileges of the school persons over 20 years of age and persons not residing in the district whenever such admission will not interfere with the accommodation or instruction of the scholars residing therein, and also to fix a fee for tuition per term, quarter or year to be charged to the persons so admitted. If the electors did not take any action whatever in this matter, the power to admit or refuse to admit non-resident pupils rests with a majority of the school board. The action of the board, however, admitting nonresident pupils must be taken at a regularly called board meeting.

A log school-house standing on a site leased forty years ago with the understanding that the site was to be under the absolute control of the school district as long as it was used for school purposes, was sold by the board under the direction of the electors at the last annual meeting and arrangements made to erect a new building. The owner of the adjoining land claims that the district has forfeited its right to the school site because of such action and that the land should revert to him. The school board, being uncertain in regard to the matter, have stopped work on the building. Q.—Have they a right to go on? Have they also a right to remove the school fence, the outhouses, some shrubs, a wood house and the well pump? A .- Yes; the fact that the old building was sold and a new one is to be erected in no wise affects the right of the district to use the school site under the old lease. They have to all intents and purposes continued the use of the site for school purposes. They have also the right to remove any temporary improvements, such as a fence, shrubs, outhouses, woodshed, pump, etc., that may be on the site, and it is not necessary that they be returned. If, however, the owner of the adjoining land desires that a fence he erected between said land and the school site, the school district is under obligations to build and maintain its half of the fence between the properties. The owner cannot compel the district to build a fence on that part of the premises of the school site abutting on a highway.

Rules and Regulations.

Dallas, Tex. No pupil can obtain an excuse from school during the regular daily session to take music, dancing, drawing or other lessons, or to attend any public entertainment or matinee, or to leave school to attend to other duties, without the express permission of the principal. Such requests must be made by parents of the child in person or by letter to the principal.

Quincy, Ill. The principals have been given complete charge of their respective school buildings. The janitors have been told to respect their orders.

Salt Lake City, Utah. An edict has gone forth that hereafter no married woman will be employed as teacher, and those who get married will be requested to resign. President Newman says: "A married woman's first duty is to her home and husband, and she cannot devote the time and interest to the schools under those conditions."

Wichita, Kan. Janitors are required to hold themselves in readiness to assist the principal in preserving order in the buildings or on the grounds.

Wichita, Kan. Except commencement exercises no school entertainments are permitted to be given during the last two months of the year.

Providence, R. I. The teachers hold their positions during the pleasure of the board. The rules provide, however, that teachers who shall have served for three successive years shall not be subject to removal, except for such misconduct or incapacity as the board may deem a disqualification. To remove a teacher, charges must be made in writing to the committee on qualifications, a duplicate of which is furnished the teacher against whom the charges are made. The teacher receives a hearing before the committee on qualifications, and upon the conclusion of this hearing the committee reports its findings to the board, which makes the final disposition of the case.

Canton, O. Director Hays' suggestion to have a thorough medical supervision of children in the schools, especially regularly examination of their eyes and ears, met with the approval of the board, and a system is to be instituted.

New York City. The medical examiners



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have received orders to look out for all cases of contagious disease, whether developing or recent, all acute catarrhal conditions of the eyes, nose and throat, all contagious eye diseases, all parasite diseases of the skin and throat and "pediculosis of head, body or clothing." The last constitutes a polite way of telling the examiners to send home children with vermin about them until such time as they can return unattended by unnecessary animal life, free from phthiriasis. That the inspection is perfectly impartial is attested by the fact that three children of a judge have been sent home "suffering" with pediculosis. The pediculus is no respecter of persons, and the school medical examiner shouldn't be either.

Marshfield, Mass. The board has established the precedent that none but married young men can hold the office of principal of the high school. Contention was made that a candidate should be accepted if he is already engaged to be married.

Newport News, Va. Last year the pupils had to make a general average of 75 per cent. and to make not less than 60 per cent. on any one study, and the high school pupils had to make not less than 80 per cent. on any one study in order to graduate. New regulations provide that an average of not less than 70 per cent. and a percentage of not less than 50 on any one study shall be sufficient for promotion in both the graded and the high schools.

New York City. Early in September the head of the Department of Public Health ordered about two thousand children to go home and stay there until they could return to school in a healthy, cleanly condition.

Iowa. The state superintendent has notified county superintendents to deny certificates to boys and girls under eighteen years of age.



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Toronto, Can. The board encourages the teachers and janitors to keep the school grounds in as attractive a condition as possible by supplying the schools with flowers and shrubs.

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New York City. A plan is being formulated by which special aid is to be given to backward scholars. The idea is to separate the defective, abnormal or backward children from the others and to form a separate class of them. This class is to be placed in charge of an experienced teacher, whose duty is to improve the scholars in their work so that they will be able to progress in time as fast as the other members of the regular class. The medical inspection of the school children, which is conducted by the Department of Health, will be the basis of separating the scholars.

Philadelphia, Pa. The women teachers are planning a campaign the object of which is to capture some of the principalships of mixed schools. Their argument is, "We women do better work than the men, because we possess the qualities that make good teachers—sympathy, patience and tact.

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utilizing the buildings. Gymnasiums, bathrooms and playgrounds have been fitted up. In some of the districts the buildings are in use all day Sunday for lectures and sacred concerts. Movements are on foot to organize parents' lengues, mothers' clubs and literary societies.

Chicago. Ill. Trustee Ole A. Thorp favors a small board, and the placing of the detail of the management of the schools in the hands of well-paid, honest and capable heads of departments. "Only a few of the members can afford to give their duties sufficient attention to act intelligently," says Mr. Thorp. "We go into a meeting and vote aye or no on matters about which we can know but little. The head of a department recommends something. We trust him and vote for the expenditure. Some of the members of the board know about things, but the majority of us don't know ourselves and we accept their decisions."

San Francisco, Cal. Charges against a teacher have been filed with the board. They are to the effect that the teacher does not pay her just debts, and that she is notoriously untruthful, and is, therefore, unfit to teach the pupils under her charge the principles of morality, truth and justice and to avoid falsehood.

St. Paul, Minn. A request of the Grade Teachers' Federation that two delegates be given three days' leaves of absence, with pay, to attend the annual convention of the Minnesota Federation of Women's Clubs, was refused by the board, although permission was granted them to attend without pay. Commissioner Christian Fry, in opposing the request, said: "Women's clubs are not educational institutions. Little, if any, useful knowledge is to be gained by attendance at their meetings. They are largely exhibitions of finery and beautiful garments and have no educational attributes or qualities which would warrant this board in granting a leave of absence to teachers in order that they might attend the state meeting or convention of the federation."

TO TEST EYES AND EARS.

In addition to the work of training the minds of the young the school teachers of Illinois will this year attempt to improve the vision and hearing of the pupils in the public schools. A series of questions has been prepared which will reveal the deficiencies of the eyes and ears of the pupils. The work will be under the supervision of the members of the State Board of Health and at their request.

The members of the board recently made an examination of the pupils in the Chicago schools and were alarmed at the number who were suffering from imperfect eyes or ears. They found that 32 per cent. of the 37 per cent. of the girls had defective vision and that the number was steadily growing.

A committee was appointed to find a remedy. They selected ten questions to be asked by the teacher and the answers will determine if the child's power of hearing and seeing is good. The following are the questions:

Does the pupil habitually suffer from inflamed lids or eyes?

Does the pupil fail to read a line of test type?

Do the eyes and head habitually grow weary
and painful after study?

Is the pupil probably "cross-eyed"?

Does the pupil complain of earache?



JOHN B. HILLIKER, M. D. President Board of Education, Grand Rapids, Mich.

Does matter or a foul odor proceed from either ear?

Does the pupil fail to hear an ordinary voice at twenty feet in an ordinary room?

Does the pupil fail to hear the tick of a goodsized watch at three feet with either ear in a quiet room?

Does the pupil fail to breathe properly through either nostril?

Is the pupil a habitual "mouth breather"? The members of the board of health believe that the teacher will be able to judge whether or not the child is suffering from any ailment of the eye or ear. When they are certain that the child is suffering it becomes their duty to notify the child's parents, and recommend the services of a physician. This plan is now in use in the government schools of South India and is a law

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in Connecticut.

The Department of Public Instruction of Illinois has prepared a special diploma, the purpose of which is to promote the movement already in progress to improve and take care of the public school-houses, furniture, equipment and grounds.

It is proposed to issue this diploma to such boards of education whose school rooms are healthful, comfortable, and, at least, measurably beautiful.

The diploma is to be issued upon a certified inspection by the County Superintendent. It is renewable, from year to year, by him.

be as follows:

1. The School House was built in the year.....

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1. Toontains....room..: has a hallway, and suitable cloak rooms. It is well lighted, heated ventilated, and in good repair. The interior is clean. The walls are

There are......good and suitable pictures.

I am informed, and believe that the people of the District, the School Directors, and the Teacher are disposed to maintain and improve these conditions.

County Superintendent of Schools.

School Boards in Convention.

The new York Meeting.

Note: All addresses made will appear in subsequent numbers of this journal.

Meeting of Council of Superintendents of the State of New York, Massachusetts Superintendents' Association and New York State Association of School Boards.

OPENING SESSION, SENATE CHAMBER.

Wednesday, October 15, 8 p. m. OFFICIAL MINUTES.

President J. C. Norris of the Council of Superintendents called the meeting to order and introduced Honorable Arthur L. Andrews, Corpo-

ration Counsel of Albany.

Mr. Andrews pointed out the appropriateness of holding an educational gathering in the city. the home of the Board of Regents and the State Department of Public Instruction, which control most of the schools of the state. "The city of Albany," said the speaker, "has 11,000 pupils and 21 well-appointed schools. While the schools have been our pride we have striven for a better school system and for better schools. We have secured a new system of school government which has been designated by authorities as one of the best. It provides for a clear division of the business and professional departments and removes the school system from politics. The board is bi-partisan and non-partisan." The speaker then outlined the powers of the board and those of the superintendent. The merit system prevails in the appointment and promotion of teachers. Teachers are removed only for cause and upon a hearing.

The speaker then extended a cordial welcome

to the visitors

President Norris responded by thanking the speaker for the welcome. He also greeted the members by stating that "New York is noted for its educational meetings. While most of for its educational meetings. While most of these are somewhat informal in character, yet everyone in attendance is willing to add to the interest and profit of all. The Association of School Boards was referred to as being a valuable force in the educational labors of the state.

In the absence of Judge Turner, President of the School Board Association, Mr. C. W. Edwards, president of the Albany School Board, was chosen to preside conjointly with President

Mr. Edwards expressed his sympathy for the work of the two organizations and noted the value of superintendents and school boards in meeting jointly.

President Norris then welcomed the members of the three organizations, extending his greetings more particularly to the Massachusetts su-

Vice President Carfrey of the Massachusetts Association responded by saying that he arose with mingled feelings of regret and pleasure. "Regret because of the absence of President Hine; pleasure in being permitted to be present. I also feel honored in representing the educational forces of Massachusetts. This meeting will reap much good for us. The joining of two great states, New York and Massachusetts, must prove beneficial. I hope in the near future you will come to Massachusetts, and I herewith extend an invitation to visit and meet with us.'

President Norris then introduced State Superintendent Skinner "as our chief, our friend

Superintendent Skinner spoke in substance as

"You need no words of mine to assure you that you are welcome to Albany, the capital of the state, and the first incorporated city of the state, if not of the country.
"I remember the birth of the Council of Su-

perintendents when it made an effort to fill respectably one side of a small room. It has grown to be a healthy and active body. What it has accomplished is well-known. The evolution of superintendence is well recognized in the state. Superintendents are now employed to supervise and to superintend teachers, and their functions are recognized as being of great importance. School boards now recognize supervision, not supervision that digs and nags-but supervision of the helpful kind.

"The organization of the School Board Association marks another phase of progress. It tends to a smoother and more effective accomplishment of desired results. Year by year school beards and superintendents come more closely together. Superintendents no longer manage school boards, nor do school boards man-

"The Council of Superintendents is composed of representatives of 44 cities, having 16,969 teachers, and 28 villages having 889 teachers. The attendance in the villages is 33,741; in the cities 805,751, making a total attendance of \$49,492. Thus the council represents more than one-half of the working force in education in the state.

"We are glad to touch elbows with our neighbors of the East. We have been taught to look to the rising sun, to the state that gave us Horace Mann, the great educational agitator of the century past.

"The value of an exchange of views and ideas cannot be over-estimated. Both states will be

benefited.

"There is one cloud on the horizon, however, a cry from Boston expressing the fear that this gathering in the Empire state is an attempt to absorb not only the superintendents of our neighboring state, but Massachusetts itself. It is not the first time that the cry of imperialism has come from Boston. In the Journal of Education of October 9th Editor Winship refers to this attempted absorption. If New York were in the absorbing business I know of no better field than the state of Massachusetts.

We will absorb your sympathy and your friendship. It is nobler to give than to receive. In education the more we give the more we have. Interchange in ideas will result in mutual advantage. By giving to each other we will both be richer. If you have anything that is better than ours we want it. We are not here to quarrel over who had the first school. We are here to show you what we have."

State Secretary Frank A. Hill of Massachusetts was then introduced. He said:

"A certain iciness is sometimes charged to us If the charge is true it has melted here in Albany. Let me bring you good tidings of Massachusetts. Signal honors have come to us as superintendents. Through a new law which has just gone into effect every town and every city in our Commonwealth must employ superintendents. We have over 200 rural towns. The district superintendent has difficult and complex problems to solve-if he can solve them successfully he can solve anything."

The speaker delivered his address of the evening, "The Seven Lamps of Education."

Superintendent Cole, of Albany, on behalf of



PROF. ANDREW W. EDSON.

the local board of education, then invited the visiting superintendents to inspect the schools

President Norris announced that all railroad tickets must be deposited with Secretary Sagendorph before morning.

He also announced at the close of the meeting that those interested in the exhibit of visual instruction should visit the State Department of Public Instruction. He further announced that a reception would be given after to-morrow night's meeting at the State Library rooms.

Adjournment followed.

School Board Convention.

Seventh annual meeting of the New York State Association of School Boards. Held at the Assembly parlors of the state capitol, Albany, October 15 and 16.

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS.

President Turner opened the meeting by introducing the first speaker, who read a paper on 'The Work of the Training School."

Prof. Chas. T. Wheelock then announced that the members were invited to attend a reception to be given by local school authorities at the State Library rooms.

The chair announced that a reception would be tendered by the Governor at the executive chambers at 3 o'clock. It was then agreed to meet at 3:20 o'clock for the afternoon session.

Payments for membership were then received by the treasurer.

On motion of Mr. Pound, Wm. Geo. Bruce was elected secretary of the meeting.

In discussing the subject of training schools, Dr. Williams desired the state superintendent to point out the difference between the ordinary training school and the normal schools. The law now permitted a three-years' certificate at the training school, while a normal school certificate

Superintendent Skinner explained that the ordinary training schools were designed to train teachers for rural schools. Its exactions were less stringent than those of the normal schools. The requirements of the latter were greater and its graduates were usually employed in the cities. If the training schools would enlarge their course of instruction to two years, reaching more nearly that of the normal schools, similar recognition would be extended. The average professional life of teachers is about three years. The three-years' certificate granted by the training school is most practical, since it can be extended if proper service has been rendered.

Dr. H. E. Schmid then read a paper on "Some Needed Improvements in School Boards."

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School Board Convention.

THE INDIANA STATE CONVENTION OF SCHOOL BOARDS.

Its First Meeting to be Held in the Senate Chamber, State House, Indianapolis, Beginning at 10 o'clock a. m., Wednesday, November 19, 1902, and closing Thursday noon, Novemvember 20th, 1902.

Headquarters—Hotel English.

On the 8th of November, 1901, a number of members of town and city School Boards attended the annual meeting of the State Association of City School Superintendents, then in session at the State House in Indianapolis. At the suggestion of Rev. Wilson Blackburn, treasurer of School Board of Mt. Vernon, a preliminary meeting of the School Board members present was called to discuss the advisability of forming a State Association. A. M. Sweeney, of the Indianapolis School Board, presided at this meeting. After a lengthy discussion of the situation, W. H. Anderson, secretary of the School Board of Wabash, moved that an association to be known as "The Indiana State Association of School Boards," be organized to meet annually, and its meetings be held simultaneously with the annual meetings of the Association of City and Town Superintendents of Schools. This motion was unanimously adopted.

The following officers for the ensuing year were then chosen:

President--A. M. Sweeney, Indianapolis. Secretary, W. H. Anderson, Wabash.

Executive Committee-W. S. Ellis Anderson; Rev. Wilson Blackburn, Mt. Vernon.

Pursuant to a call by the President of the Association, there was a meeting of School Trustees at Indianapolis on August 28, 1902, for the purpose of preparing a program. The committee prepared the following:

PROGRAM.

Wednesday, November 19, 1902, at 10 a.m. Address-By A. M. Sweeney, President.

Address-by Hon. W. T. Durbin, Governor of Indiana.

Intermission of ten minutes.

"The Teacher and the School Board"-By Prof. W. F. Sanders, Connersville.

Discussion. Led by Hon. Quincy A. Myers, secretary of Logansport School Board.

Noon.

Wednesday, Nov. 19th, 1902, at 1:30 p. m. Joint session of School Boards and City and Town Superintendents. Chamber of House of Representatives.

"School Janitors"-by W. H. Anderson, Wabash.

Discussion-by Superintendents W. H. Wiley, Terre Haute; J. N. Study, Fort Wayne, and C. N. Kendall, Indianapolis.

"The Relation of the Superintendent to the School Board"-By persons selected from both organizations.

Wednesday evening, November 19th, 1902, at 7:30 p. m.

Special lecture by Dr. Frost in the House of Representatives. Both organizations will attend.

Thursday, November 20th, 1902, at 10 a.m. "Some Needed School Legislation"-By

Charles W. Moores, of the Indianapolis School

Discussion-By Wm. George Bruce, editor American School Board Journal, and A. A. Adams, of Columbia City School Board.

"School Sanitation"-By Wilson Blackburn, of Mt. Vernon School Board.

Discussion-By Willis S. Ellis, Esq., of the Anderson City School Board.

Election of officers for 1902-1903.

Adjournment.

President Sweeney in his call for the convention says: "It was the sense of the Association that the expenses of School Board members should be paid out of the Special School Fund for attendance at the State Association. Do not fail to be present. Other states have had associations for many years. Let us place Indiana in the front. The success of her schools means the success, prosperity, intelligence and happiness of her people."

He also appeals to the town and city superintendents by saying to them: "We urge upon you



HON. ANDREW M. SWEENEY, President, Indianapolis



WILLIS S. ELLIS, ESQ., Executive Committee, Anderson.



W. H. ANDERSON. Secretary, Wabash.

the necessity of requesting the members of your School Boards to attend this association. you please have them call a special meeting to arrange for this meeting?"

Beating and Ventilating.

Improper heating is a great hindrance to easy control of a schoolroom. Pupils cannot work quietly or well when suffering from cold or deressed by heat. Too high a temperature causes dullness, lassitude, nervous irritation, and headache, too low a temperature, restlessness and inattention. Pupils are not equally clothed, some near the heat too warm, others farther away too cold. All things considered about the proper temperature of a schoolroom is 70 degrees at five feet from the floor. The teacher should never depend upon his own feelings, as he is more physically active than the pupils to afford pupils practice in making observation it has been found a good plan to let one pupil notice the temperature, perhaps every half hour, and record the same on the blackboard.

Ventilation is closely connected with heating. Pure air promotes both physical and moral strength. Impure air lowers the energy of the body and weakens the will. The effect resembles those of impure heating. Windows should not be lowered or raised in cool weather on the windward side. It is better usually to lower windows from the bottom, and it is better to lower several windows, each a little, than to open one window much. The lower sash may be raised, and a closely-fitting board placed under it. This will leave a narrow opening between the lower part of the upper sash and the upper part of the sash.

The improper lighting of the schoolroom is another hindrance to easy discipline. The windows should be at the left of the pupils. The facing of the windows in a school injures the sight, and produces disorder. Many schoolrooms have windows on two or three sides. The sides should be arranged, if practicable, so as to bring the windows to the left and back of the pupils, and the others shaded. No one should be allowed to face a bright light.

Webster City, Ia. In the Central Primary chools the new American Warming and Ventilating Latrine System of Sanitary Sewage has been installed. The success of the system is due to proper ventilation. A constant draught passes from the closets through ventilating pipes up a shaft and out at the roof of the building. The constant draught is kept up by a system of steam pipes in the ventilating shaft.

Niagara Falls, N. Y. The Fuller & Warren Company of Boston and the American Heating & Ventilating Company of Elmira submitted bids for installing the heating and ventilating system in the new schoolhouse about to be erected.

The Peck-Williamson Ifeating & Ventilating Company, Cincinnati, O., installed its system in several large school buildings during the past month.



School Board, Columbia City.



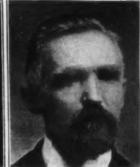
SUPT. WM. H. WILEY. Terre Haute,



CHAS. W. MOORES, School Board, Indianapolis.



SUPT. J. N. STUDY, Fort Wayne



REV. WILSON BLACKBURN, PROF. W. F. L. SANDERS. School Board, Mt. Vernon



OFFICERS AND SPEAKERS, INDIANA STATE ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL BOARDS MEETING. TO BE HELD NOVEMBER 19 AND 20, INDIANAPOLIS.

Denison, Tex. Departments of writing, drawing and music have been established.

Bowling Green, O. Zoology has been dropped from the high school course of study and commercial geography put in its place.

Drawing.

St. Joseph, Mo. A supervisor of drawing was appointed at \$125 a month.

Carrolltown, Mo. A special teacher of drawing has been employed.

Kindergarten

The Legislature of Illinois, by an act passed in 1865, authorized and empowered boards of education to establish in connection with the public schools a kindergarten or kindergartens for the instruction of children between the ages of four and six years when a majority of all the votes cast at an election held for that purpose

San Jose, Cal. Kindergartens have been suspended.

Commercial.
San Francisco, Cal. The scope of the Commercial School is to be widened, making it as near a modern business college as possible. The course is two years, with special attention given to stenography and typewriting.

Lansing, Mich. Commercial geography is a new study added to the high school curriculum. Wooster, O. A business course has been add-

ed to the high school electric studies. Springfield, Ill. A special teacher of typewriting and shorthand is employed in the high

Waynesboro, Pa. A commercial course has been added to the high school curriculum.

school.

Languages.

Superintendent Cooley has Chicago, Ill. devised a plan by which he hopes to do away definitely with all future controversy over the teaching of German. German is not to be taught in a school unless seventy-five pupils shall present themselves and ask for it. In that case two teachers will be detailed to duty at the school, who shall devote half their time to teaching the language and half to other branches. In schools where there are not seventy-five pupils in German those who wish to acquire the tongue will be permitted to move into schools where it is taught.

Each teacher of German must have had the high school four years' course in German and must have studied the language at least one year in the normal school. By this means Mr. Cooley hopes to produce teachers whose work will be very effective. As an additional incentive each teacher of German is to have \$5 a month additional in salary. The plan if adopted

means a saving of approximately \$100,000.

Davenport, Ia. The committee on special studies has recommended the employment of a superintendent of languages, whose duty it shall be to visit all the schools and instruct the German teachers to teach under a systematic and uniform method.

Manual Training.

Salt Lake City, Utah. A course of one year in mechanical drawing and woodwork introduced for boys in the eighth grade, and a department of domestic arts established with a course of two years in plain sewing for girls in the seventh and eighth grades.

Beloit, Wis. Steps have been taken to teach manual training to the boys, and domestic science to the girls, in the upper grades.

Pittsburg, Pa. An innovation in the course

of study outlined for the year is the introduction of elementary manual training.

Peoria, Ill. A manual training school has been established.

Georgetown, Wash. A co-training has been established. A course in manual

Milwaukee, Wis. At present there are three established cooking schools which are fully equipped. This year's school budget provides for an additional one.

Pittsburg, Pa. Raffia and basketry work from which baskets, picture frames and other articles are manufactured has been introduced in the lower grades; knife work in wood in the fifth and sixth grades, and macrone or twine work, from which fish nets, bags and hammocks are fashioned, are some of the new things that the hands of Pittsburg children are being trained to design. Loom work in its simplest forms, to teach color and design, is taught in the kindergartens. For the higher grades there are intricate looms and weaving. Then there are Indian looms which the pupils can make themselves from the twigs of the trees in regular Indian fashion.

New York City. Arrangements are being made looking to the extension of the special branches of sewing, cooking and shop work to the schools in all of the boroughs.

Cincinnati, O. Although the manual training course was abandoned by the board, because of a deficiency in the school funds, there are many teachers who are determined to introduce the course, and to that end have volunteered to instruct in its various branches after school and on Saturday.

La Salle, Ill. Manual training and domestic sciences are to be taught in the high school. The boys are to learn handling the saw, plane and square, besides mechanical drawing, and the girls cooking and sewing. Later laundry work, home nursing, house sanitation, etc., will be taken up.

Superintendent Cooley, of Chicago, praises manual training, because it helps to develop the practical side of the boy. He declares he would have manual training in every school from the kindergarten up.

Physical Culture

San Francisco, Cal. A competent supervisor of physical culture is to be employed. The position will pay a salary of \$250 per month.

Peru, Ill. Physical culture is a regular feature of school education in this city.

Dallas, Tex. Physical training has a prominent place in the schools and the belief that play is the very best physical training, says Superintendent J. L. Long, has led to the encouragement by the teachers of all sorts of innocent games and plays. The supervision of the playgrounds is very close, but always sympathetic. At all the schools the principals remain upon the playgrounds during the entire intermission. assisted by at least half the teaching force. The children are led to understand that the teachers remain with them because of a sincere interest in all that concerns them. This playground supervision enriches the teacher's fund of knowledge of the child with whose destiny she has so much to do.

Norfolk, Va. Position of music teacher abol-

A member of an Eastern school board in discussing the much-mooted question of teaching music in the public schools makes the following

pertinent suggestions: Could it not be said that every study taught in the public schools-save perhaps the three R's--is a specialty? Instruction is largely elementary in most of school studies, yet this elementary instruction in many branches is always useful in pursuing any vocation and enjoying and understanding the things of this world. This is an age of specialties. Men and women must confine themselves to certain direct lines of work-specialties-to accomplish great results. But a child cannot well, at four or five or six years, select for itself- neither can its parents-the avocation which it will pursue in adult life. Inclination toward or fitness for certain lines of work will not develop usually until later in life. Is it not wise and necessary then to teach the rudiments and give elementary instruction of many things during grammar school courses for all the scholars, that each may choose for itself some specialty later? In addition, one in the professions must know a little of everything and a great deal of one thing. For instance, a lawyer must know the law well, but to be successful in his profession he must know a great many other things also.

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Carrolltown, Mo. A special teacher of music has been employed.

Writing.

South Windsor, Conn. The vertical system of writing has been displaced by the medial sys-

Windom, Minn. The annual school meeting adopted a resolution declaring that vertical writing in the schools has proven a failure, inasmuch as it is less rapid, less beautiful and takes more space for the same amount of matter. It was demanded that the Spencerian system, or some system of rational slant, be taught the children.

Akron, O. The medium slant system of writing has displaced the vertical system.

Canton, Ill. The board has placed a ban on the vertical system of writing and substituted one which is a happy medium between the vertical and Spencerian.

Madison, Wis. Superintendent Dudgeon in his annual report in regard to penmanship says: "The results with the vertical system of penmanship have been satisfactory, experience showing that the simple and plain vertical script is more easily taught and more readily learned than the more complex and elaborate style of the old slant system. With the vertical system the penmanship in the schools has greatly improved in appearance and in legibility. With the slant system good writing very seldom, if ever, was secured in the lower grades. When taught under fairly good conditions the vertical system very seldom fails to secure good writing even with the beginners in the primary grades.

Agriculture.

A county superintendent of schools in Illinois lately organized and conducted an excursion for farmers and their families to the Agricultural College of the State. A party of nearly three hundred persons was gathered, nearly one-half of them boys. The visitors were enabled to see for themselves the fine specimens of stock, and how they are kept, the experiments in fertilization, cultivation, and the hundred and one other things which make the agricultural colleges so valuable to the country; and in the department of domestic economy the farmers' wives had opportunity to see the best methods of the work which most interests them.

Madison, Wis. Children are encouraged to bring plants and flowers to the school-room, and to become interested in their growth and unfold-

ing beauty. Omaha, Neb. Nearly all the public schools have fine gardens of flowers as the result of the efforts of the children, and many have vegetable gardens as well.

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Louisville, Ky. Superintendent E. H. Mark, in discussing the subject, "The Culture Required by Modern Life," took the ground that the word "culture" does not of necessity mean polish or full equipment in the more ornate branches of education. Education of the best sort, he believes, always keeps the man or woman pure and simple.

Detroit, Mich. Superintendent Martindale has asked to be permitted to appoint the teachers. He is of the opinion that the board members, who are nearly all business men, are too busy to take the time to attend to the matter and make proper selections.

Baltimore, Md. Speaking of corporal punishment, Superintendent Van Sickle says it usually does more harm than good.

Sigourney, Ia. Superintendent J. F. Riggs will be a candidate for state superintendent of public instruction before the Republican state convention next year. Mr. Riggs is a school man with large and successful experience and would take to the position mature judgment and executive ability.

Erie, Pa. Superintendent H. C. Missimer recently addressed the school board on the present tendencies in the educational world. Basing his theory on personal observation at the Minneapolis convention of the National Educational Association, he stated that the tendency of all the leading men is to adhere to the old-fashioned subjects that our fathers studied. "The tone of the convention was conservative," Mr. Missimer said. "There was very little about nature study, child study and the other educational fads that have been popular for the past few years. Most of the papers were on subjects relative to the teaching of the common English branches.

Following up this thought, he stated that any system which attempts to put a superficial culture on a poor foundation is working an injury to the child and to the nation. He congratulated the board on the fact that the Erie schools had happily been free from the educational fads that had afflicted the country like a plague. The work done in the schools was along the line of sound training in the common branches.

Dallas, Tex. Superintendent J. L. Long, in his annual report to the board, says: "In all school-rooms there are works of art to inspire children with a love of the beautiful. The children early become familiar with stories of great lives and classic literature. The Froebel idea of social life is given to the smallest children, and ethical teaching is nowhere neglected. But the teachers and principals know that much of their teaching loses its effect without the cooperation of parents, hence they gladly welcome them at all times as their best helpers, truest sympathizers and rightful coadjutors."

Dr. W. T. Harris, United States commissioner of education, is said to firmly believe that success comes to those who are "early to bed and early to rise." For years it has been his custom to retire about the time chickens seek their roost and to be up at 3 o'clock. Most of his best work is done between that hour and the time when his clerks arrive at the bureau.

Superintendent Charles M. Jordan, Minneapolis, says: "The ideal school system will not tolerate 'pet' schools. If any discrimination were to be made it should be in favor of those schools whole pupils have the fewest home advantages."

Brooklyn, N. Y. A principal made the state-

ment that in his school, which is overcrowded, the pupils who are compelled to attend only a half day make quite as good progress as those who have a full day. This would demonstrate that long hours in school, especially in the case of young children, often do more harm than good.

Chicago, Ill. Superintendent E. G. Cooley makes the following recommendations to teachers:

"Turn everything to use.

"Teach nothing that is useless.

"Connect all that is taught with the ordinary everyday life of the pupil.

"Call for the reproduction and application of what you teach. (The ultimate test of exact knowledge is the power of applying it.)

"Turn what is known to use for yielding new knowledge."

Alfred Bayliss, state superintendent of Illinois, believes in more frequent vacations of shorter duration. In an interview he says:

"I have often thought that perhaps our school vacations are too long. I mean by that that the twelve weeks that ordinarily constitute the summer vacation should be divided into smaller portions of time and sandwiched in between the terms.

"Here is the trouble: I have found in my experience that the average boy or girl has grown tired of vacation after four or six weeks, and is ready to go back. He is thoroughly rested and ready to resume his studies. If he could go back at once he would take up his books at once where he had left them off and would go ahead with renewed energy. But after ten or twelve weeks interest is lost, and worst of all, reaction sets in and pupils go reluctantly to school.

"It is a common complaint that teachers must spend three or four weeks getting their schools started after these long vacations. The big schools, state universities and normals and colleges will soon be open the year around, and their work arranged that the students may drop out on the end of any term and return on the beginning of a later one, if conditions or circumstances warrant it or make it necessary."

Superintendent Maxwell, of New York City, says it is a fact that women make the best teachers, as they are usually the best disciplinarians in a class-room.

"I think that there are many parts of the Bible which could be safely taught as literature in the public schools," says Superintendent Edwin P. Seaver, of Boston.

"Some of the finest pieces of literature of all languages are passages from the Bible, translated into those languages. I think that they could be studied without injury to any sect. The trouble is that there would be foolish persons who could not be persuaded that it was being taught honestly and fairly, without any sectarian bias. There might be trouble, also, about what version to use. For these reasons I think that it would be better not to include the Bible in the list of literary works we study in the schools. Let us avoid all controversies possible."

Minneapolis, Minn. Superintendent Charles M. Jordan: "The time is past, in my judgment, when pupils should be required to pursue certain studies simply because the manufacturers of patent courses of study believe that they should do so. Public schools should heed more than they have in the past the wishes of parents concerning the studies which are to be pursued by the children."

Moline, Ill. The following is from the annual report of Superintendent W. J. M. Cox: "In reply to the oft-repeated criticism that the Bible has been banished from the public schools, it may be proper to state that so far as Moline is concerned there is no occasion and no excuse for the banishment of the Book of Books from any school-room. Neither the laws of Illinois



PROF. EDWIN F. MOULTON Superintendent of Schools Cleveland, O.

nor the rules of the board of education place any such restriction on the teachers, and no one who is well acquainted with this community imagines for a moment that there is any considerable public sentiment against the reading of proper selections from the Bible in connection with the morning exercises for which every program should provide. If the Bible is neglected, if trivial books or more trivial talks are allowed to monopolize the time which should be reverently devoted to passages inculcating the highest ideals of morality and spirituality, the fault is chargeable to the individual teacher or principal who has charge of the 'morning exercises,' and is not due to the rules, regulations or expressed wishes of the school authorities."

State Superintendent Alfred Bayliss, of Illinois, has decided to open a modern country school. The building is to be put up at Normal, Ill., where a normal school is located. The student will thus be given the benefit of observing just how a model school should be conducted. It is easy enough to tell teachers to make their school model, but the superintendent feels that a far better and more direct way will be to show them the workings of a model school and then let them do likewise.

Denver, Colo. Superintendent Aaron Gove, addressing a teachers' institute, said: "You may know, but you don't know why, the ideal school-room, most of the schools we build now, are 28 feet wide by 32 feet long, with the teacher's desk at the narrow end. It's because such a room exactly fits the range of one's eyes. You can see, actually, and when accustomed to it, practically unconsciously, every child in the room without moving your eyes, and without impressing your pupils with the fact. They'll feel it when you learn to do it properly, but they will not have the horrible knowledge that they are 'watched.'"

Manila, Philippine Islands.—Frederick Atkinson, superintendent of the Philippine schools, has resigned. The resignation takes effect January 1, 1903.





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GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.

The National Educational Association once more suggests that the Bureau of Education at Washington be elevated to a Department of Education to take equal rank with other departments of the national government.

This change would also mean the creation of an office, known as that of Minister of Education, with a seat in the United States cabinet.

The proposition is not a new one. It has been discussed quite thoroughly and the advantages and disadvantages have been brought out in detail.

The strongest objection to the proposition, which has thus far been advanced, is urged upon the fact that the educational institutions and school systems throughout the country are in no way officially connected with the national administration. The city, town and district school systems are managed under state laws. City school systems are usually conducted under special charters, while the rural schools are under the direction of state superintendents. The United States Commissioner of Education therefore has no authority over any schools or school officers.

The next objection, which has frequently been urged, is based upon the claim that in the suggested change the department of education would become a political one. Heretofore, the commissioners of education have been selected upon non-partisan lines. The President, in choosing members of his cabinet, is obliged to draw partisan lines, and in the selection of a Minister of Education this, it is held, would be a mistake. The office would change with the advent of every new administration, and the observance of party lines would not always permit the selection of the best man.

These objections are valid as far as they go. The present Bureau of Education forms, however, only a small fraction of an important department of government. In the multiplicity of department interests, the bureau of education, notwithstanding the fact that it is presided over by the nation's greatest schoolmaster, becomes an insignificant collection of record-keeping clerks.

The bureau is housed in an old building, wholly inadequate for even its present aims and purposes. Its importance is minimized, its needs cannot be heard in the highest councils and its usefulness is consequently contracted and curbed.

It is true that the Bureau of Education has no organic connection with city school systems. The same might be said of the Department of Agriculture, yet the services it renders to the agricultural interests of the land can scarcely be measured.

A well governed Department of Education can render great service to the cause of education in a nation whose strength and perpetuity must rest mainly upon the educational progress of its people. Official representation in the United States cabinet is important in that the needs of education will not be overlooked, when other matters of state clamor for attention.

Partisanship in the highest educational position of the land may prove an objectionable feature—yet party rivalry may also tend to party pride in bringing the department to its highest degree of efficiency. The mere fact that the insignificant bureau has been raised to a department of the United States government will lend it prestige and importance, and thus enable it to develop to the highest degree of usefulness.

SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

The subject of the character and appearance of public school buildings is one in which every school board member should take a keen interest. The buildings are erected for educational purposes, and education should begin before the child gets into the building. The child will forget the greater part of what he has learned, while at school, and the benefit he gets from his school years consists more in the general effect upon his mind and character than in the particular knowledge-aside from the most essential rudiments-that he acquires. In that general effect, it cannot be doubted that the appearance, the good adaptation to its purposes, and the general attractiveness of the school building plays a very important part.

But it is not only from the point of view of the benefit to the pupils that this matter of fine school buildings is of great importance. Every building put up by a municipality should be such that it can be felt by the citizens to be an object of pride, and such as constantly, though silently, to exert a good influence on the architectural standards of the neighborhood and of the entire city. One of the most notable features of the enterprising towns of the West is their excellent and handsome school buildings, and few things do more to foster local pride and public spirit.

Every school building hereafter erected should be a building that will be expressive of an emulation of the best standards. The pursuance of such a policy by school boards will prove a general profit to their whole city, as well as of immediate benefit to the children and the neighborhoods directly concerned.

There is no economy so ill-advised as economy—or rather parsimony—in the matter of architectural design. The increase of expense in securing a beautiful and thoroughly well-contrived building as compared with an ugly and ill-designed one is altogether trifling in comparison with the results attained. A small

investment in brains, in the case of a building, fertilizes the whole of the big investment in material and in mechanical work. The desire, when manifested by school boards, to secure higher standards in this direction should have the hearty support of the community.

CONSOLIDATION OF RURAL SCHOOLS.

The leading arguments in favor of the consolidation of rural schools are the following:

"First—It permits a better grading and classification of pupils. Consolidation allows pupils to be placed where they can work to better advantage; the various subjects of study to be wisely selected and correlated and the more time given to recitation.

"Second—It affords an opportunity for thorough work in special branches, such as drawing, music and elementary science study. It allows also an inducement in other lines.

"Third—It opens the doors to more weeks of school, and to schools of higher grade.

"Fourth—It insures the employment and retention of better teachers. Teachers in small ungraded schools are usually of limited education, training and experience.

"Fifth—It makes the work of the capable, carnest county superintendent more effectual. Her plans and efforts can all be concentrated into something tangible and speedily executed.

"Sixth—It adds the stimulating influence of large classes, with the resulting enthusiasm and a generous rivalry. The discipline and training are invaluable.

"Seventh—It affords the broader companionship that comes from association.

"Eighth—It results in a better attendance of pupils and a more wholesome educational atmosphere throughout the community, as is proved by experiments in the states where the plan has been thoroughly tried.

"Ninth—It leads to better school buildings, better equipments, a larger and better number of books, charts and apparatus. All these naturally follow a concentration of people, wealth, effort and aid in making good schools.

"Tenth-Improved sanitary conditions, better ventilation and better located buildings. Chidren less exposed to stormy weather, wet feet and damp clothing avoided.

"Eleventh—The poor man's children as well as the rich man's children are afforded means of reaching the high school. The 'little tots' as well as the big boys and girls are brought within the cherished influences of the high-priced teacher of the high school, and the whole community is drawn together.

"Twelfth— Economy in time and money. In every instance where schools are managed under the provision of this act there is a great saving of time and more work is accomplished. In many places the experiment has been tried with success.

CARE OF TRUANTS.

The bad boy problem as it should be treated to accord with enlightened methods in education was recently discussed by Edwin P. Seaver, superintendent of schools, Boston, in a paper on "The Care of Truants and Incorrigibles." He said in part:



Members of the School Board are under arrest, charged with accepting bribes from teachers.

"Our American political doctrines are based on the principle that all citizens should be educated," said Mr. Seaver. "The founders of the government realized that this was necessary for a free people. They saw that all the people must be educated, because uneducated people endanger a democracy. Therefore universal popular education is provided for by the state.

"It is obvious that our schools should possess excellence in intellectual training, that they should be free to all, and that attendance should be compulsory. Public opinion in favor of universal attendance must be aided by positive law. Cities of excellent schools without compulsory attendance prove this by the large percentage of criminals who are recruited from children of school age. This is also shown by the example of rural districts where public opinion is lax.

"With the evasion of compulsory attendance we meet the truant. To deal with him we must know his nature. Though not a cherub or a candidate for sainthood, he is by no means a criminal. He does not realize the dangers to which his nature exposes him. We should recognize in him a craving to see more of life than his home and the school have revealed to him. He sees in the city streets much to appeal to his interest and his observation. The methods of the street rival the school in developing his powers of mental exertion. Hugo illustrates by his little Gerveau that popular educa-



Dr. Emerson E. White, Columbus, Ohio, Died During the Past Month.

tion reaching the street gamin will change him from a predestined Anarchist to a useful citizen. What he needs is guardianship.

"The next step is to realize that self-respect is the key to reform. To put a truant in a jail, a house of correction or in any institution tainted with criminality lays a stigma on him that blasts his life. Boston once detained truants on Deer island, where they associated with criminals; but now Boston provides a home for truants in the parental school, even the name of which is chosen so as not to suggest punishment. Special officers known as "school attendance agents" try more to get parents to put their children in school than to hunt out offenders.

"Recourse to judicial action is unavoidable, but is made as unlike a criminal process as is possible. The judges often hold separate sessions and hear cases in chambers. The parental school should provide the committed boy with what he either never had before or that from which he has broken away. Let the site be in the open country amid healthful surroundings, with land for cultivation and apart from other public institutions. The cottage plan is better to represent the needed family life than the old plan of one large building. No detaining walls should challenge the boy to escape. If he runs away, his parents or friends will return him. The discipline, though firm, must not be hard or unsympathetic, and free alike from stern-



Little Johnnie's first day at school as observed by artist McCutcheon.

ness and weak sentimentality. Corporal punishment is not effective in reform.

"The term of confinement and release involves the powers of the court. In this state a boy cannot be committed for more than three years. The power of release, as the experience of Boston has taught, must be beyond the reach of politicians; otherwise scandalous pardons will be given for political reasons. The system of indeterminate sentences and releases on parole has resulted in curing seven-eighths of Boston's truant cases."

The education of the children of any community cannot fail to appeal to the best element of the city as nothing else will.

No American city can afford to bear the stigma of inadequate school accommodations. It is the duty of its school board to see to it that they are provided as speedily as the mechanical details can be executed.

Next to the teacher as a factor in the school, stands the school board. Whether the school shall be a success or failure is largely in their hands. None but the best men should be elected to these important positions. And the best man is not always the greatest talker or the most anxious to hold the position—by a good deal. But he is generally a man of intelligence, and feels that the best teacher is cheap at a fair salary, while the poor teacher is dear at any price.



The cartoonist's conception of the fall opening of the colleges.



The Truant. One of the Problems in Education as seen by Editor Hearst.



Dr. Edmund J. James, newly elected President North western University.

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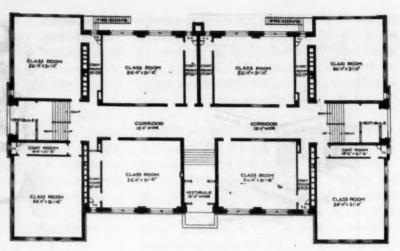
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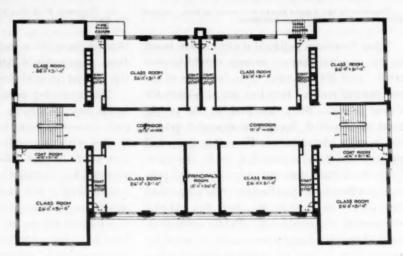
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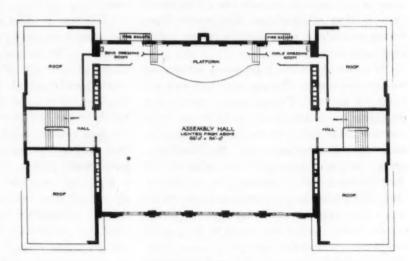
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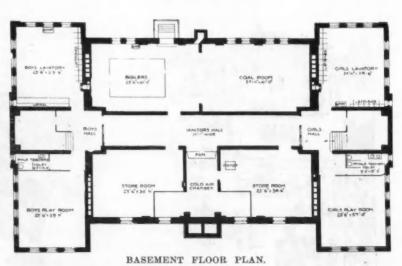
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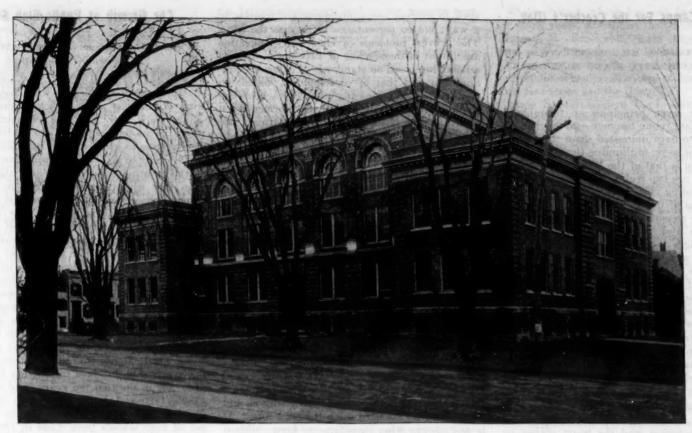
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Floor Plans of the New School No. 12, Albany, N. Y.



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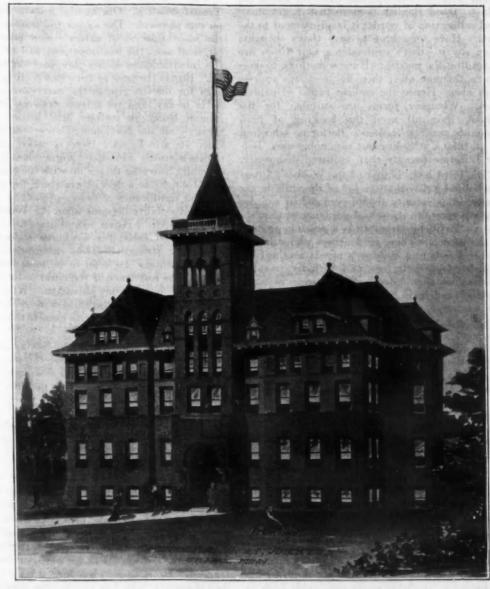


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Seven Lamps For the Teacher's Way.

BY HON. FRANK A. HILL, SECRETARY OF THE MASSACHUSETTS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

These are seven principles or thoughts, in particular, that young teachers-all teachers, indeed-need to have impressed upon their minds -lamps, as it were, to illumine their way. And the first lamp is that of the Wonderful Interaction. There are two realms in our mental lifethat of inleading currents and that of outleading ones, that of impression and that of expression, the one receptive and preparatory, the other executive and productive. The process engages both realms, indeed, but in a very special way belongs to the latter. All our mental states tend to action, and it is the right utilization of the reciprocal influence of each upon the other that constitutes the gist of the educative process. The perennial temptation of the teacher is to cut this process in two, to attend to the first realm and neglect the secondto neglect, in short, the wonderful interaction between thought and deed which is the life of all genuine education.

The second lamp is that of the Royal H'sthe hand standing for that action which springs from thought, the head symbolizing that thought that tends to action, and the heart giving its warmth and color to the interplay. The traditional R's are necessary; mastery of them is an accomplishment, but after all they are only tools. It is not rhetoric that rules the world, but Good English is more than a grammatical collocation of words; it is adjustment to the idea. Have something to say-that's thought; then say it-that's expression. Our times are extending the maxim: Have something to dothat's thought also; then do it-that's expression also. Hence the endless forms of expression. Whatever forms are suitable for the school, they all need the backing of high thoughts and fine feelings. Better no schooling at all than a schooling put to ignoble uses. Better illiterate honesty than cultured dishonesty.

The third lamp is that of the Worker's Interest. What a pity that the joy of the child in his spontaneous activity should ever sicken and die when it comes to the school guidance of that activity. Artificial stupidity is a possible product of the schools. There are teachers who still persist in bandaging children's minds as the Chinese bandage their feet, and with like results. The teacher should distinguish between pleasure interest and pain interest. Especially should the teacher note that that interest which leads to a fine action becomes by such action a finer interest, and so leads to a finer action still. The child's interest is captured at first by the novelty of the outward; but it is bad for both teacher and child to depend too long on such mild sensationalism of method. The teacher cannot be always discharging fireworks, and the normal child at length tires of effeminate methods, hates to have his food cut into bits and tendered him in a spoon. Respect, then, his interest in doing things, his spirit to overcome difficulties. his consciousness of growing power. There are two things that modern education does not stand for-effeminacy of method and the dissipation of energy.

The fourth lamp is that of the Commendable Ratio. Children's capacities vary endlessly. Teachers cannot reduce them to a common level. It would spoil the landscape to do so. If elementary education keeps the ratio of accomplishment to available power reasonably high, it serves its purpose. Educationally the little that expresses one's all ranks immeasurably higher than some larger achievement that expresses but an inconsiderable portion of one's all. Percent-

ages to express accomplishment are feasible in a way; not so percentages to express the ratio. The gravest problems of elementary education are found in the conflict of two ideals—that of scholarship based on standards of exterior determination and that of development based on standards of interior capacity. The schools are chafing and worrying under the former when their supreme business is with the latter. The true road to scholarship is by way of the commendable ratio. It makes a vast difference with the joy of the pupils and the temper of the teacher which of these two ideals dominates the school.

The fifth lamp is that of the Gracious Overflow. Train the right arm to increased strength, and the left arm shares in the gain. It profits by the gracious overflow. So for all our activities. There is a radiation of gain from them gain in muscle, gain in idea, gain in will power. Our activities minister to one another, and the gain is forever crossing the chasm that divides the mental from the physical. It follows that courses of study somewhat intensive in character are broader than they seem. Sometimes there blossoms in the overflow the finest flower of instruction.

The sixth lamp is that of the Backward Light. Things dimly seen in childhood are more clearly seen in maturity. Indeed, why should the harvest follow hard upon the seed time? It is not always wise, therefore, to keep children back for lack of thoroughness. Some trust should be placed in the power of maturity to dispel their fog.

The seventh lamp is that of the Blessed Transformation. Our mental growth must wait on our physical. The sooner the teacher accepts the inevitableness of nature's slow pace on the physical side, the less impatient will be be over the inevitableness of her slow pace on the mental. But is the pace so very slow? It has taken ages for man to rise to the marvelous creature he is to-day, and yet science tells us that each human being, in its own life history, passes through all the development stages of the race since its life began. Here is speed enoughnature's sturdy hint that people should not be eternally hurrying things up with the child. We owe John Fiske a debt of gratitude for pointing out the significance of man's prolonged infancy -his educability depends upon it. What a paradox—the child rising, stumbling, falling, and therefore educable, his weakness suddenly become his strength! Thus hindrances, by a blessed alchemy, are seen to be most beneficent The resistance of the child to instruction sometimes becomes his salvation. What a sad thing it would be if the child were really to accept all the advice in all its details that all his advisers see fit to give him!

These seven lamps light up seven essential things in the educative process—the seat of the process, the ideas that should dominate it, the finest inspiration of it, the truest measure of success in it, the radiation of gain from it, the saving of its early obscure interactions by later ones of a higher order, and the beneficient character of many of its conditions that are commonly held to be adverse.

Mr. Edwin F. Moulton, who has been elected to succeed L. H. Jones as superintendent of the Cleveland public schools, brings to his new position fine training in educational work. For many years he has been engaged in the work of supervising the schools as an assistant superintendent. He is an able scholar, a man of sterling character, who has proven his devotion to the schools, and his appointment as superintendent is but a tribute to labors rendered. The schools under his guidance will move grandly forward.

The Growth of Public high Schools.

BY HON, WM. T. HARRIS, UNITED STATES COMMIS-SIONER OF EDUCATION.

Much as we are pleased with the contemplation of the vast army of school children marshaled each year into the elementary school, there is another phase of our statistics which really gives us greater cause for rejoicing, and I wish briefly to go over with you some of the statistics relating to secondary and higher education; for, while there is progress in securing a longer school year and an increased number of days in actual attendance in the elementary school, there is a far greater ratio of increase in the numbers that continue their studies beyond the eight-years' work of the district school and enter the public high school, or the private academy, and this great increase in secondary education has furnished its quota of population prepared to enter college. The first aspect of this increase in secondary pupils is the opening of new high schools. It would seem as though the whole population of the country, in all its sections, north, south, east and west, had resolved to have free high school instruction for its children, for in the past ten years—and three years (1895, 1896 and 1897) were years of financial disaster-there was an increase in the total number of high schools from 2,526 in 1890 to 6,005

The number of high schools States in 1860 was about At that time wise people shook heads and said: "It is doubtful their doubtful if the constitution permits the education of the people in free high schools. District schools may be all right enough, but our forefathers never intended to furnish a liberal education to all children at the expense of the taxpavers. The friends of free high schools were somewhat uneasy over this. But the next ten years saw the number of high schools rise to four times their former number-the 40 of 1860 had increased to at least 160 in 1870; and in the next ten years the increase continued, so that by 1880 there were in operation nearly 800 public high schools. These, as we have seen, reached 2,526 in 1890, and 6,005 in 1900.

The most noteworthy circumstance connected with this is that the increase of public high schools has gone on in all sections of the country. Take, for example, the North Atlantic states; these already had 786 high schools in 1890, and they came near to doubling their quota in 1900, in which year they reported 1,448. South Atlantic states had only 115 high schools in 1890, but in ten years they had in operation nearly four times as many, for they report 449 in 1900. The South Central states did even better than this, for they increased their public high schools from 158 to 675. The Western division of states-including those on the Pacific coast and states in the mountains-had 91 high schools in 1890, but 270 in 1900. The North Central states have long led in the number of public secondary schools. They had in 1890 more than half of all the high schools in the country, and they have more than half now. Their quota increased from 1,376 to 3,163 public high schools.

We all know that an increase in the number of schools does not always mean an increase in the number of pupils. I must add to our survey of the increase of high schools the data in regard to pupils. And it is gratifying to know that, on the whole, the increase in secondary pupils in high schools has been much greater than the increase in the number of separate schools. The whole United States enrolled in round numbers 203,000 high school pupils in 1890, and 520,000 in 1900.

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The state of California is the only American commonwealth that compiles and publishes under state auspices the text-books used in its publie schools. While one of the chief reasons for the printing of text-books by the state was the desire to lessen their cost to school children, just the contrary has been the result. At the present time the state's text-books are higher in price than the best text-books on the market. In subject-matter, arrangement, accuracy, clear--all those qualities, in fact, which should distinguish a text-book for school children—the California state publications are much inferior to the productions of the leading private houses. This could hardly be avoided under a system which handed over to local talent substantially the entire work of the writing or compilation of the books. It is no reflection on California to say that the production of first-class text-books calls for the best educational talent in the whole country. Even the state board of education has lately admitted the inferiority of the state publications, in determining to secure the best textbooks on various subjects by leasing the stereotyped plates of standard works from private publishing houses, printing from them in Sacramento, and paying a royalty on each book sold. By securing the best text-books wherever produced, and paying royalties for them, the California board of education has certainly improved the standard of public instruction, and removed the reproach that the state was sacrificing its children at their studies. There remains, however, the extravagant state printing, and the inferior mechanical get-up of the books printed by the state printing office. but one sure way of getting the very best books -buy in the open market.

Minnesota. As to the adoption of books to be used in a school district, Attorney General Douglas has advised State Superintendent Olsen that the law providing for a publisher to file a schedule of prices and sample of each book must be complied with before any contract can be let. After a certain book has been selected by the board it must be used to the exclusion of any other book for the time named in the law, which is for not less than three nor more than five years, during which time the book shall not be changed. If it is found that other books are needed for the study of any subject, they may be procured and used to supplement

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the information contained in the regular text-

Wichita, Kan. A supply of Ward's Rational Method of Teaching Reading has been purchased.

Paducah, Ky. The following books have been added to the high school library: Warner's library, 31 vols.; World's Great Classics, 40 vols.; American Dictionary and Encyclopedia, 16 vols.; U. S. History, 8 vols.; Ridpath Library of Classics, 25 vols.; Classic Tales, 17 vols., and Current Book, 150 vols.

The Graded Literature Readers, published by Maynard, Merrill & Co., are enjoying unusual popularity. During the past year they have been adopted by the state of Louisiana, city of Washington, D. C., county of Grant, S. D., and many other places. B. S. Lobdell, the firm's Western representative, says the readers merit success.

Waterloo, Ia. The board of the east side has adopted the "High School and College Hymnal." The contents of the book is a selection of choice hymns and patriotic music and will be used for opening exercises. The book also contains chapters from the Bible that can be used in responsive readings.

Galesburg, Ill. Miss F. Lillian Taylor, principal of the primary department, is the author of a Second Reader published by the Werner School Book Company. The book in point of literary merit is a gem and well worthy of school boards everywhere. Miss Taylor's long connection with primary departments has made her thoroughly conversant with the needs of children at that age, and this reader is the outgrowth of her experience. The engravings, paper and typography are in keeping with the literary value of the work.

Bloomington, Ill. The following is the list of text-books used in the high school: Young's First Lessons in Astronomy, Robinson's New Higher Arithmetic, Beaman & Smith's Academic Algebra, Johnson's American Politics, Kelsey's Analysis, Bellum Helveticum, Collar & Daniels' First Latin Book, Williams & Rogers' Bookkeeping, Bergen's Botany, Kelsey's Caesar, Remsen's Briefer and Newell's Experimental Chemistry, Harper & Gallup's Cicero, Hinsdale's Civil Government, Rolfe edition Shakespeare, Scott and other English Masterpieces, Riverside Literature Series, English Grammar, McLaughlin's American History, Coman & Kendall's English History, Myer's Greek History, Morey's Roman History, Brigham's Geology, Wentworth's Geometry, Thomas' German Beginning Grammar, Thomas' German Beginning Reader, Stern's Geschichten Von Rhine, Storm's Immense or Hesye's L'Arrabbiata, Ojemalde von Malern der Gergenwart for Conversation, Bernhardt's German Advanced Composition, Muller's Deutsche Liebe, Hillern's Hoeher als die Kirche, Riehl's Burg Neideck or Seidel's Le-brecht Hueperchen, Gerstacker's Irrfahrten, Lessing's Minna v. Barnhelm und Schiller's Lied von der Glocke or Schiller's Wilhelm Tell, Goodwin's Greek Grammar, White's First Greek Book, Jones' Greek Prose, Seymour's Homer, Allen & Greenough's Latin Grammar, Dodge's Latin Prose, Kelsey's Ovid, Tarr's First Lessons in Physical Geography, Carhart's and Chute's Physics, Colton's Briefer Physiology, Walker's Political Economy, Herrick & Damon's Composition and Rhetoric, Herbermann's Sallust, Greenough's Vergi, Packard's Briefer and Colton's Zoology.

Prof. J. N. White, Republican candidate for state superintendent of Missouri, is fighting his campaign along the issues of free text-books, and has found his slogan very popular.

Michigan has a free text-book law, which is giving general satisfaction. Delos Fall, state superintendent, estimates that the law has produced a saving of from 25 to 50 per cent. to the

Rhode Island, which has had free text-books for many years, has found the system a success. Thomas B. Stockwell, state superintendent, says: "We have free text-books, including pupils' supplies, pens, ink, pencils and paper in all our public schools. We buy at bottom prices. Free text-books are the thing."

State Superintendent C. J. Baxter of New Jersey is a strong advocate of free text-books. He writes: "We have had a free text-book law in this state since 1894. It has proved such a benefit to our schools that our people are practically unanimous in support of the law. We find that free text-books are more economical; that there is less time lost by the pupils for the reason that they are supplied with books at the opening of the school and are not compelled to wait, as heretofore, until they could be obtained through a local dealer."

Pennsylvania was one of the pioneer states in adopting the free text-book system. Nathan C. Schaeffer, state superintendent, estimates that it saves from 33 to 60 per cent. of the cost of text-books to the people as a whole.

Minneapolis has used free text-books in all its schools for several years. Superintendent C. M. Jordan is a strong advocate of the system.

Omaha has provided free text-books to all pupils for fifteen years. The people thoroughly believe in the idea.

In the old city of New York and in the old city of Brooklyn the free text-book system has been in vogue for more than twenty years. On the consolidation of these two cities with the counties of Queens and Richmond the system was extended over the entire city. Superintendent Maxwell states that no one would now think of returning to the old system, under which the pupils bought their own books.

Superintendent T. D. Boynton of Ithaca, N. Y., says regarding the free text-book system: "I am pleased to say, after years of experience under both systems, that I am uncompromisingly in favor of free text-books. The other side has no argument. After your first investment the expense per capita is not one-twenty-fifth of what the other plan is. The contagious disease theory is groundless. We have gone through measles, whooping cough, scarlet fever, etc., without ever having a case. No one objects to handling paper money because others have previously handled it. The question of the transmission of disease never arises then. If we have a right to tax for buildings, teachers, apparatus and furniture we have a right to tax for books."

Detroit, Mich. The free text-book system, which has been in operation for several years, is giving general satisfaction.

Massachusetts. By a statute which went into effect in 1884 text-books became absolutely free to all pupils in the state. Superintendent Edwin P. Seaver of Boston states that he has not observed that free text-books are injurious to pupils; on the contrary, he has found the free text-books have very largely increased the number of pupils in attendance upon the high schools, and they have prolonged the stay of older pupils in the grammar schools. It promotes, he says, greatly, the organization and management of the schools.

Superintendent R. E. Denfeld, Duluth, Minn.: "The free text-book system has been in operation in the city of Duluth for the last fifteen years. It would be utterly impossible to go back to the old plan of having the children purchase their books. The free text-book system is in every way satisfactory. The books owned by the board of education are better cared for, and, therefore, last longer, and in this way very materially reduce the cost. I believe it is the only way in which children can be economically supplied with text-books. Trouble as to contagion is no greater than when the pupils purchase their own books."



BY HOWARD J. ROGERS.

Of the making of expositions there is no end. The echoes of one have not died away before the sounds of preparation for another are heard. After Paris, Chicago; after Chicago, Paris; after Paris, St. Louis. I refer to the great international expositions, which, in the language of our lamented president, "are the timekeepers of progress," and not to those of sectional and national importance only, as Antwerp, Atlanta, Omaha, Buffalo and Charleston.

The scriptural injunction that it is not good for man to live alone is just as applicable to communities and states as to individuals. The evolution of national life has brought out no fact more clearly than that the highest development of a nation demands the freest interchange of ideas and commodities with other nations. The nation surrounded by a wall, whether it be built of masonry or composed of prejudice and ignorance, is the decadent and semibarbarous nation. From the earliest times efforts, more or less concerted, have been made by progressive communities to keep open the channels of trade and exchange. Hence the caravan, the galleon and the fair.

First Big Show in 1851.

The international exposition dates from the crystal palace exhibition in London in 1851, but it may be new to you to know that the exposition held in Paris in 1900 was the twenty-second international exposition and that the first was held in the time of Napoleon. There must then be a benefit aside from display, a value greater than sentiment, arising from expositions. That it is of lasting benefit to the immediate community is easy of demonstration. We had only one city with the manners of the world, as unprovincial, prior to 1890. The Columbian exposition enabled Chicago to assume a cosmopolitan dress. The world's fair of 1903 will have the same effect upon St. Louis.

In the knowledge gained by comparison of methods and the confidence engendered by association and friendship lie the material advantages to be derived from an exposition in commerce, science, art and letters. It was a risky and debatable proposition for John Smith to consign his goods to an unknown Hassan Ali on the other half of the globe, but after Smith and Hassan have fraternized and hobnobbed for six months at an international exposition it becomes a matter of friendship and convenience.

Expositions not only record the progress of nations, but they round out and harmonize the national life by the discovery through contact of the strong and weak conditions existing therein. Particularly is this true of education. The influence which the Russian industrial training exhibit exerted at Philadelphia in 1876 is a well-known illustration. The weak showing of the French schools in Paris in 1878 led to the reorganization of the elementary instruction and laid the foundation of the present eccles professionelles. These are, of course, emphasized examples, but who can estimate the influence of the many suggestions of methods and equipment which are picked up by thousands and carried to all quarters of the globe?

Educational Exhibits Few.

Prior to 1876 little or no attention was paid to the exhibit of education at international expositions. Isolated and institutional displays were

made with no attempt at scientific completeness, and usually from some selfish or advertising motives. The exception was perhaps the crystal palace exhibition of 1851, which seems to have been the definite cause of the industrial drawing movement which rapidly developed under South Kensington influences.

In the centennial exposition of 1876 two exhibits had marked influence on educational thought and methods in this country. The first was the exhibit of industrial drawing from the Boston public schools, which had just begun to feel the effects of the preliminary work of Walter Smith. The second was the exhibit of pupils' work in applied mechanics shown by the Russian schools and illustrating the results of giving definite instructions in a systematic course to artisans.

The idea of the manual training school was thus implanted in America and the result was the experiment made in this line in Boston and St. Louis.

From both these exhibits came the hitherto unrecognized necessity in this country of adapting the training of public school children in art and handicraft to the various industries of the manufacturing world. To-day the output of these plants is reckoned by the million and is rapidly holding its own against the industrial art work of other nations.

In Paris in 1878 a definite status was given education in the classification and a considerable space devoted to it. The exhibit was, however, mostly confined to French schools. The same is true of the exposition of 1889 in Paris. The United States' participation was exceedingly meager and the object of much criticism. The exhibition of the other foreign nations was uneven and many were conspicuous by their absence.

Chicago Set The Pace.

Not till the Chicago exposition of 1893 was there a determined effort to bring into com-parison a comprehensive display of the educational resources of the leading nations of the world. The result was remarkably successful and a revelation to the educational public. The only things which militated against its entire success were the poor exhibits of France and England and the fact that the "exhibit idea" was not fully developed in this country. mean by that that the states and cities had never before attempted a scientific exhibit, did not know how to discriminate and hardly knew how or what to exhibit. As a consequence there was great unevenness in the display and an immense amount of padding. To offset this was the great amount of meritorious work and the splendid, thorough exhibit of Germany.

As a general proposition it may safely be affirmed that in extent, variety and interest its exhibit surpassed all previous expositions.

Such is the very scant outline of the history of educational exhibits at international expositions up to the Paris exposition of 1900.

The exposition universelle of 1900 was great school, which had its lessons for all nations. It was a school of effort, a school of progress, a school of commerce and a school of peace. France has never failed to profit from lessons taught by international expositions. should we? Surely it is not vainglory nor a de sire simply to outshow other nations which lead to the enormous expenditures involved in every international exposition. It is rather an honest competition of the best that each nation can produce, brought together in the hope of its proving a benefit and necessity to other nations, and in the further hope of finding something of reciprocal value and interest to itself.

Benefits Are Numerous

So far as the benefits of the educational exhibit are concerned I hope I may be pardoned

if I did not bring back a basket overladen with suggestions and innovations. Frankly I think the greatest lesson which the school-men of the United States can draw from the Paris exposition is contentment. Pray do not misunderstand this word. I do not mean that we have everything we ought to have; far from it; but rather that there is little new in foreign education that we need to have. We have a strong, virile system of schools, colleges and universities entrenched in the love of the people and built to meet their necessities. Let us not jeopardize it by introducing those features adapted to a state of society to escape which this country was founded.

At a luncheon given last summer by a distinguished foreign juror there were among the guests an ex-minister of public instructions and and an ex-director of primary education. In response to an argument put forward the latter replied: "I object to the conclusion. In the United States, for example." "Ah!" broke in the ex-minister, "the United States is never an example in point; the spirit of the people sanctions any advance; their institutions are totally different." This impatient tribute is the keynote of the whole situation.

For the St. Louis exposition we could indulge in nothing but prophecy were we so inclined. But it seems to me the time is ripe for an educational display which shall excel in scientific excellence anything which has yet been attempted. The great scale upon which the exposition is projected renders it possible for the first time in the history of expositions to provide a separate building for educational exhibits and to collect under one roof a comparative display of educational agencies from all the leading nations of the world. The spirit of the St. Louis management is cordial and friendly to the department and it has been given the place of honor in the classification. No effort or expense will be spared to secure a comprehensive display which will show not only the present status of education, but its historical development. The element of time alone is uncertain, but we rest confident in the belief that the loyalty, energy and public spirit of the great body of schoolthroughout our country will be devoted to our support and that when the doors of the great exposition are swung open to the public the educational department will be ready for inspec-

The plans for the educational feature of the Hawaiian exhibit for the St. Louis World's Fair were outlined at the recent annual meeting of the Territorial Teachers' Association in the Normal School at Honolulu by Prof. M. M. Scott, principal of the Honolulu High School. Prof. Scott believes that the greatest benefit to the islands will result from a historical exhibit as it will appeal to the serious-minded ones who attend the Fair more than any other feature. The idea of sending photographs of school interiors and maps was proposed, but these cannot show progress. It is desired to show the internal, moral and intellectual development of the people, and as the internal arrangement cannot be photographed the next best thing is to exhibit those things which pupils have fashioned. In order to show the progress of the school system it is proposed to exhibit the archaeology of Hawaii, and the primitive implements with which the Hawaiians worked and cultivated the soil.

Reading, Pa. Monthly examinations have been abolished. The standing of the pupil will hereafter depend on the entire work of the term. Superintendent Foss says that monthly examinations overtax the pupils, and tempt them to be dishonest, and that they are a waste of time and energy.

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A Child's Garden Vers

Robert Louis Stevenson. Illustrated by E. Mars and M. H. Squire. 93 pages. Cloth, price, 50 cents. Published by Rand, McNally & Company, Chicago, New York.

This is a child's classic—a multitude of Stevenson's children's verses from the children's point of view. Simple and graceful and childlike, children delight to read them and learn them and repeat them. The book is elegantly gotten up with illuminated cover, the best of paper, and sixty-one fine illustrations, ten of which are in color.

The First Year of Latin

Based on Caesar's War with the Helvetii. By Walter B. Gunnison, Ph. D., Principal of Erasmus Hall High School, Brooklyn, N. Y., and Walter S. Harley, A. M., Instructor in Latin, Erasmus Hall High School. Pages IX. Cloth. Illustrated. Introductory Price, \$1.00. lished by Silver, Burdett & Company, New York, Boston, Chicago.

This is a carefully made book of its kind. It aims to present the essential principles of the Latin grammar clearly. Declension and conjugation are taught by gradual easy stages; the rules of syntax are taught inductively; difficult things are made as simple as may be; examples. illustrations and exercises are mixed in with the distributed portions of the grammar. There are questions and exercises for review, and everything is well arranged. Phrases and sentences for illustration and translation are taken from Caesar. In this way, twelve chapters from the first book of Caesar are read. Thus, the student becomes somewhat acquainted with the style of Caesar for the next year's regular reading. Two vocabularies are given. The paradigms and rules are grouped together in an appendix for the reference, and for the convenience of teachers, who prefer to have all these learned connectedly and thoroughly before a class begins reading-a good old way to teach Latin.

A Complete Geography

By Ralph S. Tarr, Professor of Dynamic Geology and Physical Geography at Cornell University, and Frank M. McMurry, Ph. D., Professor of Theory and Practice of Teaching at Teachers' College, Columbia University. With numerous maps and many illustrations, chiefly photographs of actual scenes. Tarr and McMurry Geographies. 478 pages. Price, \$1.00. Published by The Macmillan Company, New York,

The names of the authors are a guarantee that this is a reliable work. It covers the subject very completely. The physiography includes the essential facts of geology, and is illustrated by excellent relief maps. In this way the causes of existing conditions may be easily understood. These conditions have largely decided the occupations of the people, and have had much to do in developing their character. This influence of conditions on character is worthy of emphasis. Something is given on the history, growth and government of the nations. Ocean currents are described and winds and the paths of storms are explained. Climate as affecting products is fully discussed, and generally the causes that have led to important results are stated. All the principal products of the countries are represented, graphically, enabling the student to comprehend and compare them at a glance. A special feature of the book is the large number of maps. Maps of countries are colored. There are

uncolored maps of all the leading cities, and hundreds of pictures of places. Many of them are from recent photographs. Geographical facts are arranged in numerous tables of statistics for ready reference. While the subject matter is intended for topical recitation, there are questions for review, and paragraphs of suggestions that will lead to discussion and further research.

A good deal of work has been expended in making this book, and it will require time for classes to master it. As a book for general reading, and reference in connection with the daily reading of the news from all parts of the world, it deserves a place in every family library.

Interpretive Reading.

By Cora Marsland. Professor of Elocution and Oratory in the Kansas State Normal School. 245 pages. Published by Longmans, Green & Company, New York, Chicago.

It is a well-known fact that nearly all of the books on elocution, oratory and interpretative reading fail in that they give only superficial attention to what might be called the physiology of the subject. A reproduction of the best oratory is valuable only in the literary sense.

The foundation of good reading lies, primarily, in an analysis of the atmosphere and the emotions involved. The subject of breathing and voice culture is, however, the commonly neglected essential.

The cause of the decline of oratory is not wholly due to a lack of appreciation in the subject matter. Nor is indifferent reading due to the promiscuous and prodigious supply of newspaper and magazine reading so much as it is due to incorrect breathing and want of vocal culture.

The author gives due attention to literary analysis, gesture, etc., but also devotes space to the physiology of the respiratory organs, breathing exercises and tone culture.

The book, as a whole, is eminently practical, and covers the essentials in a most complete manner.

The Writing of the Short Story.

By Lewis Worthington Smith, A. M., Drake University, Des Moines, Ia. 92 pages. 35 cents. Published by D. C. Heath & Company, Boston, New York, Chicago.

This little pamphlet covers, concisely, the elements of the successful short story. The author has a complete grasp of his subject, and writes everything that should be said in a brief treatise of this kind. The booklet will prove serviceable to teachers as well as literary workers.

Essentials of English Composition

By Horace S. Tarbell and Martha Tarbell. 12mo. Cloth. XV & 281 pages. List price, 60 cents; mailing price, 70 cents. Published by Ginn & Company, New York, Boston, Chicago, Atlanta.

This is a compact treatment of English composition, designed for grammar schools and lower classes in high schools. The book contains chapters on letter writing, description, narration, reproductions and essays, study of Longfellow, style, secretarial writings, synonyms, and punctuation from the "Second Book of Lessons in Language and Grammar," by the same authors, the chapters on style, synonyms and punctuation being extended.

The Adventures of Marco Polo

Edited by Edward Atherton. Appleton's Home Reading Books. 160 pages. Published by D. Appleton & Company, New York, Chicago.

This volume presents the tales of the Venetian traveler interspersed with interesting comparison of present conditions of the various countries of Asia with the features known in the thirteenth century. Mr. Atherton is careful to point out in each case where Marco's narrative misses the truth through taking statements on hearsay, and to contribute to the young reader's

accumulation of real and accurate information by a generous use of maps and choice pictures. Books of travel find a place in the Series of Home Reading Books, and there is no book of the sort that so well deserves it as this book.

Hwot iz the Sol?

Haz the Dog a Sol? By C. W. Larisun, M. D., 282 pages. Price, \$1.50. Published by the Fonic Publishing House, Ringos, N. J.

This work on psychology is clothed in phonics phonics with a vengeance. The average reader of English is not apt to take the time to wade through a lot of oddly-spelled words.

Those who are interested in the subject matter of the book and phonics at the same time may note that "the pris ov the buc iz a dollar and fifti sents. It wil be sent tu eni address, bi mal, on reset ov the pris."

Book One. Part 1, containing One and Two Part Songs. Part II, containing Two and Three Part Songs. Selected and Arranged by H. O. R. Siefert, Superintendent Public Schools, Milwaukec, Wis. 262 pages. Published by Butler, Sheldon & Company, New York, Philadelphia, Chi-

Prof. Siefert gives evidence of the fact that he is at home in the music of all lands. He has drawn from the musical wealth of so many nations that one is led to believe that he has embodied all that is beautiful in simple melodies.

His first publication, a small music book, was well received. The present work is more pretentious and reveals the touch of the schoolmaster and the musician.

The songs, over three hundred in number, are arranged for one, two and three parts.

The Taylor School Readers.
Second Reader. By Frances Lillian Taylor, Author of "Werner Primer." 160 pages. Over 100 illustrations and 18 color plates. Price, 25 cents. Published by the Werner School Book Company, New York, Chicago, Boston.

An exceptionally interesting little book, well made both as to matter and style. The reading essons are calculated to awaken the child's best

thoughts, as well as to be entertaining.
"hae been happy thinking," wrote Burns Get a child to thinking, and to be happy thinking, and his reading becomes a comparatively easy thing. This second reader is intended to accomplish this result.

Arithmetic Without a Pencil.

By Edith M. Joy. 200 pages. Price, 35 cents. Published by D. C. Heath & Company, Boston, Chicago.

This is a book intended to give pupils in the first five grades a thorough training in mental arithmetic. Miss Joy believes that it is sound pedagogy that each new phase of arithmetic should be developed without the pencil in the pupil's hand; that Written Arithmetic is logically supplementary to Mental Arithmetic. The book is to be commended for its logical arrangement, as each new principle is introduced at the point at which the need for it appears, and for its easy progression, as but one difficulty is presented at a time.

The Comprehensive Method of Teaching Reading.

By Emma K. Gordon. Book One. First Five Months. 102 pages. Price, 25 cents. Published by D. C. Heath & Company, New York, Boston, Chicago.

The leading characteristics of this little book

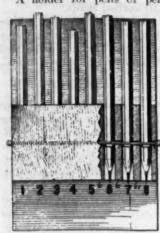
First: The absence of all diacritical marks; econd: The few phonic facts to be memorized; third: The obvious aids to spelling furnished by the charts and drills; fourth: The careful gradation of work. The phonic drill provided for, it is held, will enable a child to read, easily, ten pages a day.



Recent Patents Granted.

PEN OR PENCIL HOLDER. James S. McClung, Pueblo, Colo.

A holder for pens or pencils, comprising a



flat tray board, plurality spaced division walls arranged parallel with each other on the tray board, forming intermediate channels, said walls having aligned transverse slots therein intermediately of their ends, an endless gum band held in the slots by pins at the

looped ends thereof and engaging the tray board, a cap-piece covering all the channels, and designating characters placed on the tray board opposite an end of each channel.

BLACKBOARD ERASER. Franklin C. Raber, Akron, Ohio.

A blackboard eraser comprising a body carrying an erasive surface, and rim formed of a non-dust-

absorbing material rounding said erasive surface and spaced there-

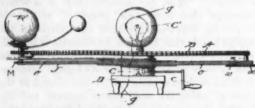
PENCIL SHARPENER. Robert C. Uecke, Harvard, III. In a device of the class described, the combi-



nation with a truncatelyconical vessel, A, having an abrasive inner surface, of a crank, C, centrally pivoted within said vessel, said crank having upon its extremity a tubular por-

tion, e^2 , terminating in a conical portion, e^3 , which is cut away to form a slot, c1, whereby said crank is adapted to receive at its end a pencil and to guide the motion of the same within said abrasive surface and to hold it firmly in contact therewith.

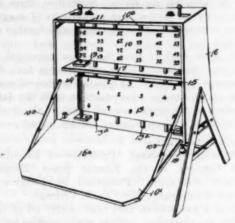
TELLURIAN. Charles S. Henderson, Elkhart, Ind.



A tellurian comprising a central support for a sun globe, a circular rack carried thereby, an arm mounted to swing around said support and carrying a vertical bearing shaft or member at the outer end thereof, a sleeve O encircling said bearing and carrying a disk having sprocketteeth on its periphery, a bracket carried by said sleeve, an earth-globe journaled in said bracket, a sleeve T encircling the sleeve O and having a gear meshing with the stationary rack, a moonglobe-supporting arm pivotally connected with sleeve T, stationary sprocket-teeth carried by the central support, a sprocket-chain encircling said teeth and the teeth on the disk of sleeve O, an inclined flange on said disk, an arm bearing on said flange and connected with the moon-sup-

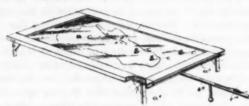
porting arm, means for swinging the main arm around its central support and means for rotating the earth-globe upon its axis.

EDUCATIONAL CHART AND SUPPORT THEREFOR. Richard R. Anderson, Albion, Iowa.



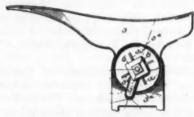
A device of the character described, comprising supporting means, belts movable upon said supporting means and having characters, numbers and the like thereon, a screen in front of. said belts and having apertures for exposing portions of the latter, and plates adapted to be moved into conjunctive position adjacent to said apertures.

EDUCATIONAL APPARATUS. William L. Smith, Boston, Mass.



An educational apparatus comprising a table, having a surface capable of readily receiving marks, and sufficiently transparent to display therethrough an object placed behind the same, means behind said surface for holding a map to be copied, movable blocks carried on said surface and containing magnetically-attractive material, an actuator beneath said table provided with a handle extending beyond the table at one end, and having at its other end a magnet to attract said blocks, a support for said magnet provided with means permitting the same to slide around beneath the table, and means for raising or lowering the magnet relatively to said

HINGE JOINT FOR SEATING. Finley S. Brooke, Cincinnati, Ohio.

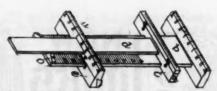


A hinge joint for seating comprising a support, a seat bracket, inner and outer hinge members, one hinge member having radial ballgrooves, the other hinge member having transverse ball-grooves, with their ends turned inward toward the outer ends of the radial grooves, antifriction-balls located at the crossing of the ballgrooves and limiting the movement of the seatbracket, and adapted to interlock, and travel in the ball-grooves of both hinge members to provide an anti-friction-bearing between the meeting faces thereof, and yielding means for securing the parts of the hinge-joint together.

KINDERGARTEN LOOM. Levi M. Comstock, High-

land Park, Ill.

In a loom, the combination with a support, of oppositely-disposed blocks mounted thereon, means upon said blocks for engaging the warp-



threads, a lay arranged to be reciprocated between said blocks and provided with means for beating up the weft-threads of a fabric being woven upon said loom, and means whereby said thread-engaging means upon said lay may, at will, be brought into the plane of said weftthreads or dropped below said plane.

Supplies and Furniture.

Improper seats and desks are a great hindrance to a good school. A common source of discomfort is the use of seats and desks not properly adapted to the size of the pupils. The evil resulting from too high seats may be in part remedies by the use of foot rests. Another source of discomfort is the curved seats, broken or badly defaced seats, and sometimes the seat is too Improper seats are often the cause of round shoulders, sunken chests, curvature of the spine and injury of internal organs, which deserves the attention of every teacher. School boards should buy up-to-date school desks, which can be adjusted to the wants of the pupils.

Detroit, Mich. The Laing Planetarium Company has closed contracts for \$30,000 worth of planetariums to be shipped to Western states.

Merrill, Wis. A supply of pens bought from the Esterbrook's Pen Company; kindergarten supplies from the Rohde Kindergarten Company and a clock for the new high school from Fred. Frick Clock Company.

Beatrice, Neb. The board has examined a series of relief maps published by the Central School Supply House with a view of providing

the schools with the same.
St. Joseph, Mo. The board awarded the Caxton Company of Chicago a contract for six hundred and ninety desks. The desks were made at the company's factory in Muncie, Ind. were shipped in sections to St. Joseph. the earload of school furniture had left Indiana soil the train rolled down an embankment fifty feet high. Many of the desks were broken. The whole consignment was sent back to the factory and all losses made good.

Merrill, Wis. Remington and Densmore typewriters have been purchased.

The Relief Maps, manufactured by the Central School Supply House, are meeting with a splendid sale throughout the country. Many of the large cities are given re-orders each year. Lately, Detroit placed an order for ten complete sets, Washington for eight and Wichita, Kan., for one complete set and thirteen district sets.

Mr. Wentworth, a general agent of the company, returned during September from a trip to the Sandwich Islands, Australia, New Zealand and Japan, where he practically sold these maps to all the leading schools. Mr. Wentworth during the early part of October sailed for Europe, where he expects to spend the winter in further extending their sale.

Duluth, Minn. Three Smith Premier Typeriters have been purchased for class use in the Duluth High School.

St. Louis, Mo. A purchase of five Estey

pianos has been made.

Laing's Planetarium recommends itself at first sight by its great simplicity of mechanism. It makes the relative positions and movements of the sun, earth and moon truly comprehensive. It is practical, useful and not out of the reach in price. School boards will do well to look into the merits of this schoolroom aid.

Oakland, Cal. Blackboards in the Piedmont school placed by C. F. Weber & Co.

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Leaves the Book Field.

Mr. James F. McCullough, general agent for Silver, Burdett & Company, Chicago, has resigned his position to establish a Teachers' Agency. The change went into effect November 1st.

Mr. McCullough has served in the capacity of teacher, as have most successful bookmen. He has also been principal of village and grammar schools, and filled, in the most able manner, a city superintendency. He has been connected with Silver, Burdett & Company for the past eight years. His wide acquaintance among the teachers in the North-Central states, together with the splendid reputation which he enjoys, will enable him to build up a successful teachers' agency.

He has secured offices in the Fine Arts Building, Michigan Boulevard, Chicago, which is a sort of central point for the educational people who reside in Chicago, and all who come to Chicago from the surrounding country. The enterprise will be known as the "James F. McCullough Teachers' Agency."

We wish him God-speed in the new undertaking, and a bushel of success.

Death of Mr. Abbott.

On October 11th, Mr. William James Abbott, for many years educational manager of the Woodward & Tiernan Printing Company, St. Louis, died at the Evangelical Deaconess' Hospital. The announcement of his death will prove a shock to the many friends and acquaintances among the educational people.

Mr. Abbott was born June 8, 1864, at Oxford, England. He graduated with honor from All Souls' College, Oxford, and came to America in 1865. Six years later he was married to Miss Annie C. Richardson, who survives him. Mr. Abbott was a member of the George Washington Lodge, A. F. & A. M.; of the Ascalon Commandery, No. 16, Knights Templars; of the Arab Patrol of Moolah Temple, Order of the Mystic Shrine; and was also a Scottish Rite Mason.

At the time of his death he was secretary of the World's Fair Publishing Company of St.

N. GUY WILSON, Agent Educational Publishing Co., Chicago.

Louis, of which he was the of the founders. Mr. Abbott was known in Illinois, Kentucky, Kansas, Missouri, and more particularly throughout the Southwest. His high scholarship and splendid personal character were appreciated. His many lofty qualities of mind and heart endeared him to all who knew him.

A story is told of a book house that some years ago took in its employ a successful superintendent. For a year he acquainted himself with the business and the conditions of work. The coming season great "book fights" were on in five different cities. He was instructed to go and get the business; he went, lost the first and smallest, then the second fell before him. This made him disgusted, and he took his "grip" and went back to the home office to lay his resignation before his employer. As he entered, the head of the house came forward, and with a hearty grasp, said, "You have made a good fight and have learned how to do it-now you will succeed. I have told the bookkeeper to add five hundred dollars to your salary." The bookman light-hearted, hastened to eatch the next train, went into the hottest of the fight, and proved that he had learned "how to do it.

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Charles Cutler Inshaw is Prang's agent in New York and the Southern states. He is a chubby, smooth-faced young man, bright and active. Mr. Inshaw makes his home in New York city.

The following bookmen attended the meeting of the New York State Association of School Boards at Albany last month:

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Edward Day Barker, of the University Publishing Company, has for his territory the Rocky Mountain Region and the State of Colorado.

L. D. Vose, who represented D. C. Heath & Company, is as pleasant and good-natured after defeat as when victory has crowned his efforts to secure business for his house. Mr. Vose is always welcome wherever he goes.

Among the agents representing Silver, Burdett & Company is W. C. Hazzard, whose territory is Wisconsin. His affable manner and pleas-



JAMES F. MCCULLOUGH Retires from the Book Field.

ant disposition wins for him many friends in the various cities of the state.

Cincinnati, O. A discussion has arisen over the election of women as members of the board of education. A number of women teachers have been interviewed on the question and, without exception, declared themselves unalterably opposed to such a move. They fear that the women members would be meddlesome. A person, who believes in having women represented on the board, gets back at the women teachers as follows:

"If women are not capable of transacting the simple business matters that pertain to the proper carrying on of our public schools, are they fitted to do the far more important work of teaching. A mother who knew that a teacher objected to her presence at a board meeting, or in the school that her children attend, would be varranted in questioning that teacher's fitness for her place. What is their objection to women? Testimony from places where they have held the office is all in their favor. If they visit the school it is to study the ventilating and heating systems, the sanitary conditions and the possibilities in the way of general improvement."

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At the present time I am able to attend to my household and family duties, pursue music which was formerly my profession, besides reading and studying, all of which I was totally unable to do at the time referred to." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

Opinions of Educators.

Rural Schools

W. W. Welch, state superintendent of Montana, discussing the question of the consolidation of rural schools, made the following valuable comment:

"In the matter of transportation, the wagons should be covered and provided with curtains, laprobes, etc., for severe weather. The school should exercise as much care in the selection of the driver as they do teachers. The contract for such route should be given to the lowest responsible bidder. He should be under bonds to perform his obligations. The driver should be required to have the children on the school grounds promptly at the opening of the school, which does away with the question of tardiness and irregularity of attendance. Conveyances should call at every farm-house where there are children, the children thus stepping into the wagons at the roadside, and are set down upon the school grounds. In order to reduce, perhaps, the number of wagons, the children may be required to walk to the nearest main road traveled. There is no tramping through the snow and mud, as is now the case during the winter and early spring. With the children under the control of a responsible driver, there is no opportunity for the terrorizing of the little ones by some bully as they trudge homeward through the snow and mud from the district schools. The expenditure of these better appointments will be wise economy, for the cost per pupil is scarcely much less in the small and widely-separated schools. Such a plan quickens public interest in the schools. Pride in the quality of work to be done secures a greater sympathy and better fellowship throughout the districts. Consolidation of rural district schools will be the morning dawn of better roads, rural delivery and the common use of telephones in the homes on the farm."

Why Men Leave the Teaching Profession.

State Superintendent Alfred Bayliss, of Illinois, in a recent article discusses the question, "Why Men are Dropping Out of the Teacher's Profession." He tells of finding himself at a hotel table, next to a clear-eyed, well-dressed, intelligent-looking young man, who said he was a country school teacher, received \$37.50 a month and got good board for \$9 a month. He expected to attend a summer school at a state normal school. A few minutes later the superintendent of schools in the city stated that his salary had been increased 25 per cent. and that he would receive \$1,000 a year hereafter. He would go to the State University summer school. Shortly after in a barber shop the writer found that the proprietor's receipts for the past year

amounted to \$1,340: his rent was \$7.50 a month, and his other shop expenses less than \$100, or about what it will cost the superintendent for his summer term at the university.

Uniform Progress of Pupils.

Tacoma, Wash. Superintendent Warner declares uniform progress of pupils impossible. "You cannot keep the carriages in a funeral procession at fixed intervals," he says. "In the attempt to keep the children of a city moving in what has been happily characterized as 'the educational lock step,' step, many pupils and classes are kept marking time while others are caused to pass over their work in a hurried and superficial manner.

"Classes differ greatly in ability and in opportunity work. Teachers differ

in skill and power. The work in one district may be hindered by contagious diseases or otherwise interrupted.

"System and orderly procedure do not require dead uniformity of progress.

Moral Instruction

Hon. Charles R. Skinner, state superintendent of New York, in an address before the State Teachers' Association, paid attention to the subject of moral instruction in public schools.

He took exception to the statement of an educator that morality cannot be taught in public schools, and held that education should be made compatible with and inseparable from morality. "A man," he said. "may be moral without being religious, but he cannot be truly religious without being moral."

In this connection the words of President Andrews of the University of Nebraska are to the

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sects are becoming aware of this. Public sentiment would sanction it, should schools at once begin teaching virtues as cleanliness in speech and thought, thrift, temperance, fortitude, perseverance, veracity, the rights and laws of property, public spirit, love of country, and regard for parents, the aged, the feeble, the unfortunate and brutes. All parents wish to have their children schooled in these vastly important duties, provided the teaching is unprejudiced. The subjects mentioned can be so taught in school that no Catholic, Protestant, Jew or unbeliever will dislike the teaching or fear its effect on dogmas, church life or fealty. Moral education is one of the splendid new tasks which the Twentieth century school will achieve."

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Springfield, Ill. The Prang Drawing Books are used in the schools.

Minneapolis, Minn. "If those who are forever trying to regulate the conduct of the teachers would do a little re-regulating among themselves, the community would be better off," said Superintendent C. M. Jordan when told of the edict, prevalent in many schools of the country, which prohibits teachers from dancing after 11 o'clock and from every other form of social pleasure every day of the school week except Friday.

"The idea of attempting to dictate to self-respecting women what they shall or shall not do is reaching a height which is as presumptuous as it is absurd. Why people are eternally discussing or criticising the teachers I cannot understand," said Dr. Jordan. "They are the best class of women I know." Asked regarding the effect which the promoters of the new order especially dwell on, the bad influence exerted upon the children by the teachers who go in for a little gaiety, Dr. Jordan said that would be nil, because none of the teachers went in for social pleasures to any great degree.

"As for the Minneapolis school board's thinking of such a thing, why, it's too absurd to consider for a moment."

Lincoln, Neb. According to State Superintendent Fowler teachers are very scarce in the rural districts. He attributes this to the too prosperous condition of the farmers. He says: "For years country teachers have been hired for monthly salaries of \$25 to \$40, but now but very few competent instructors are available at that price, and most of the district cannot afford to pay more. Crops are prodigious and farmers' sons and daughters who taught school to pay their own way are now quitting the field of pedagogy to live in ease at home. What many of the districts will do is a puzzle."

St. Paul, Minn. The board has taken control of school athletics. It will decide what pupils may be members of the athletic teams, what days of the week may be used for contests, when teams may go outside the city and whether teams may play practice games with teams of institutions that are not high schools. The board may also determine the standard of physical ability that is needed for school athletics, or whether a pupil is regularly in school membership, and on the merits of the proper coach for team work.



The McIntosh Company's heliopticon seems to be a popular instrument, a large number of them having recently been furnished to leading schools. Among them might be noticed Wake Forest College, Wake Forest, N. C.; Kansas Medical College, Topeka, Kas.; Waynesburg College, Waynesburg, Pa.; American Medical Missionary College, Chicago, Ill.; University Medical College, Kansas City, Mo.; Southwest Kansas College, Winfield, Kas.; High School Canton, Ill., and numerous others.

Punctuality Buttons and Book Stamps are two new devices that are being used quite successfully in Indiana. The button is given to the child at the beginning of the school month, who wears it until absent or tardy, when he forfeits it until the beginning of another month. It does not ornament the clothing; 'tis not worn for ornament, but for influence; to influence the sub-consciousness of the child to the end that it will be punctual in any of life's callings. The book stamp is placed on the inside of a child's book that is well kept. The object is to teach the pupil to care for books, school apparatus, etc. W. S. Gibbons, Rochester, Ind., superintendent Fulton County Schools, will be pleased to answer any inquiries concerning these devices.

The State Normal School, Indiana, Pa., and Bethany College, at Lindsborg, Kas., have recently been supplied with fine Double "Imperial Stereopticons" by the McIntosh Stereopticon Company of Chicago.

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Ann Arbor, Mich. A supply of kinder-

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Elizabeth, N. J. Two Smith-Premier typewriters have been bought by the Board of Education.

New York, N. Y. Thirty - five Smith-Premier typewriters have been purchased by the Board of Education. The machines are for use in the offices of the district superintendents.

Lorain, O. Whether or not the schools shall be supplied with towels and soap is proving a momentous question for the board to decide.

Hastings, Mich. A supply of school desks bought from the Grand Kapids School Furniture Co. Works.

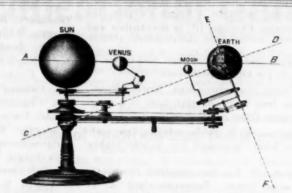
Winthrop, Minn. The school house has been equipped with electric bells in all the rooms, a great convenience in conducting the school.

Bloomington Prairie, Minn. An order for science apparatus awarded to the Central Scientific Co.

Lincoln Neb. The American School Furniture Company sold the board a supply of their Victor desks.

Wabash, Ind. The school board has bought a Smith Premier typewriter for instruction purposes.

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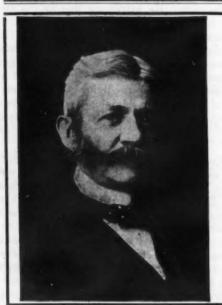
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Chatham, N. Y. A Smith Premier typewriter

has been bought by the board of education.

Stevens Point, Wis. A supply of anti-dust floor dressing purchased. A supply of desks bought from the American Desk Company, kindergarten material from Thomas Charles Co., and pencil sharpeners from A. B. Dick Co.

Two Rivers, Wis. Diplomas purchased from the Caxton Co.; general school supplies from Central School Supply House; ink and erasers from J. M. Olcott & Co., and a number of sets

of alphabet cards from A. Flanagan Co. Lansing, Mich. Every school is to be equipped with a telephone.

Portsmouth, O. General school supplies procured from the National School Supply Co.

Detroit, Mich. Contract for kindergarten supplies awarded to Milton Bradley Company.

Wooster, O. The Century desk was adopted for the Third ward schoolhouse. The rivalry between the representatives of the competing concerns was spirited.

Richland, Mich. The Haney School Furniture Company, of Grand Rapids, Mich., won out in the school desk contest.

The National School Supply Co., Youngstown, O., is prepared to make prompt shipment, of right kind of goods, at reasonable prices to any

school board in the country.

Portsmouth, O. The American School Furniture Company manufactured the desks for the Highland school building.

Tiffin, O. A supply of apparatus for the high school laboratory procured from the Chicago

Supply & Scale Co.

Kansas City, Mo. Contract for desks was captured by the A. H. Andrews Co., Chicago.

Milwaukee, Wis. A purchase of 836 desks purchased from the American School Furniture Company.

Decatur, Ill. The B. Orloff lead pencil is used in the schools.

Wooster, O. The following firms submitted bids on the desk furniture for the new Fourth ward school building: The Caxton Company, Chicago; Hudson School Furniture Company, Athens, O., and O. C. Clark, Cleveland.

Building and Finance.

Boston, Mass. The valuation of school buildings has in ten years increased 62.3 per cent.; the valuation of buildings per pupil increased 19.6 per cent.; that is, the cost of housing each pupil apparently increased 20 per cent. in the ten years. This means that not only have the buildings required by the increase of pupils been much more expensive per pupil housed, but that they have been so much more expensive that the relative cost of housing all pupils both in old houses and new ones has been increased 20 per

New York City. President Burlingham of the board of education has accepted the offer of

several churches or rooms in these edifices for the use of city schools, the buildings belonging to the municipality being overcrowded and thousands of new pupils seeking admission.

Cleveland, O. A. movement is on foot to perfect an organization of school teachers. The promoters declare that the purpose of the association will be to alleviate certain conditions which are detrimental to the best interest of the schools, and also to inaugurate several changes for the benefit of the teachers themselves. Among the latter, it is intended to further the pension idea. A lecture course and university special instruction courses are also among the projects to be undertaken.

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Mr. Pound held that Mr. Schmid's paper gave rather a gloomy view of the educational conditions of the state. "He strives for the abolition of the school board, the creation of a state or even a national board of education. Is it possible," he inquired, "that school boards are stooping so low as to exact tribute of the teachers, that schools are unsanitary?" He concurred with the speaker's recommendation for more manual training and political economy. The boards of education of the state are progressive, non-partisan and patriotic.

Mr. Brandegee held that New York state is progressing educationally, but that there are abuses in some sections. Some boards are political. A bi-partisan board is not necessarily non-partisan. If we are to have the ideal man in the school board, we must first eliminate politics. But when you make a board bi-partisan—making politics the basis of organization—you do not eliminate the evils complained of.

Mr. Myer held that the Schmid paper was apt to be misunderstood. There exist conditions in localities that require correction. These are the exception rather than the rule.

Mrs. Greenhow held that the teachers' tenure of office ought to be extended beyond one year. Schools suffer, owing to the fact that teachers cannot make their plans beyond a year's time.

Dr. Schmid, in reply to Mr. Pound, stated that he feared he would be pounded to death, but Mr. Brandegee had revived him. Some men take too roseate a view of things. The dark side must also be seen. He recommended and moved that the school boards in all cities, having a population of 5,000 or more, be empowered to select school sites, instead of being voted by the people.

The motion was carried. Judge Turner of Auburn and F. E. Lyford of Waverly attested that their boards were free from political or religious influences.

Dr. Williams of Dunkirk admitted that his board was full of politics. He favored a civil service examination for a seat in the school board.

The chair then appointed the following committees:

Committee on Nominations—Hon. J. E. Pound, Lockport; Dr. H. E. Schmid, White Plains; F. E. Lyford, Waverly.

Auditing Committee—Thos. H. Bennett, Canandaigua; John E. Myer, Auburn; Jas. E. Sugden, Amsterdam.

Adjournment followed.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The chair called the meeting to order.

Mr. F. D. Boynton of Ithaca stated that on behalf of the Council of Superintendents he desired to make a statement. There are maintained, he stated, a number of training classes in various parts of the state. The school systems, maintaining them, are allowed \$1 per pupil in attendance, which is paid by the state. The state has a sum set aside, annually, for this purpose. It appears, however, that the fund is inadequate and covers only about 70 per cent. of the expense. The balance of 30 per cent. remains unpaid.

The superintendents passed, Mr. Boynton reported, a resolution asking the state to make good the shortage, and believing it to be expedient on the part of the school board association to pass a similar resolution.

Mr. Boynton, with the privilege of the chair, then offered the following resolution, which was unanimously passed:

Resolved, That the committee on legislation be and hereby is requested and instructed to secure, if possible, an addition to the supply bill at the next session of the state legislature, suffi-

cient to meet the deficit due to training schools for last year's work, and to pay the full quota of \$1 per week per pupil for the present year; and that this council pledge the committee its co-operation in the committee's effort to have the state pay one hundred cents on the dollar.

Dr. Williams moved the appointment of a Committee of Five, of whom J. E. Brandegee and Dr. H. E. Schmid be made members, who shall examine the paper read by Dr. Schmid, and shall report at the next meeting recommendations on school board organization.

Mr. Boynton stated that at the Saratoga teachers' meeting a plan was adopted by which a representative from each educational body was to be appointed—such appointees to form a conference committee on educational exhibits for the St. Louis World's Fair.

On motion, the chair was authorized to appoint such member to serve on the conference committee.

The chair appointed said committee: Hon. C. W. Edwards, president of the Board of Education, Albany.

Mr. Pound reported for the committee on nominations the following list of officers for the ensuing year:

President-George B. Turner, Auburn.

Vice Presidents--Dr. J. T. Williams, Dunkirk; Mrs. Helen M. Greenhow, Hornellsville; Thomas H. Bennett, Canandaigua; B. B. Whitney, Gloversville;

J. T. Sugden, Amsterdam. Treasurer—John Garvey, Frankfort.

Recording Secretary—A. A. Bradley, Lock-

Executive Committee—Dr.H. Ernest Schmid; W. A. Choate, Brookview; George B. Fenton, Broadalbin; John E. Pound, Lockport;

F. E. Lyford, Waverly. On motion, the report was adopted and the officers declared elected.

Mr. Fenton moved that the next meeting be held at time and place chosen by the Council of Superintendents. It was announced that Niagara Falls had been chosen.

President Turner appointed the following committee on legislation:

John E. Brandegee, Utica; Hon. John Raines, Canandaigua; George McCann, Elmira; Benjamin Hammond, Fishkill; John E. Myer, Auburn.

It was then moved and seconded that 2,000 copies of the American School Board Journal, the official organ of the association, be purchased. Carried unanimously.

Adjourned.

LAST JOINT SESSION.

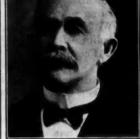
President Norris requested State Superintendent Skinner to preside.

Associate Superintendent Edson of New York City opened the discussion on "Education Furnished by the Schools of To-day from the Educators' Standpoint." It depends, largely, the speaker said, the point of view taken in discussing the subject. The business man is apt to point out weaknesses which do not always appeal to the educator. The superintendent should aim to see the schools from both points of view.

First of all, the enormous progress made in the last quarter of a century should be noted. Methods have been changed. The child, rather than the subject taught, has become the center of interest.

"I want my boy to be a gentleman," said Mr. Edson—"one who carries out the golden rule. I want him to be prompt, exact and obedient. I want my boy to be filled with the spirit of truth and honesty. I want him to repel cheating and





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dishonesty. I want him to be pure of heart—and stand for purity and cleanliness of thought, of action. I want him to cultivate a habit of manliness, self-control, courage and kindness. Last, but not least, I want my boy to be industrious—willing to do his part—not limited by the hour."

Superintendent Parkinson of Massachusetts continued the discussion by pointing out the difficulty of defining a concrete school. The range of occupation in our schools of to-day is larger than it was ever before. Schools do not furnish an education—they simply contribute to education.

Simplification should be the aim. All kinds of machinery has become simpler in construction and operation. Many of the devices of the schoolroom will have to be dropped. I do not believe in exhibits of schoolroom work. These exhibits are the chips of the work shop—and not the finished product. The American stands for the individual initiative. The schools should strive to cultivate self-assertiveness.

Adjourned.

MEMBERS PRESENT.

C. W. Edwards, W. P. Burris, Chas. R. Skinner, Chas. F. Wheelock, Harlan P. French, Albany; F. E. Lyford, Waverly; Dr. J. T. Williams, Dunkirk; J. E. Brandegee, Utica; Dr. H. E. Schmid, Mrs. H. E. Schmid, W. A. McConnell, White Plains; John Garvey, Frankfort; Chas. E. Gorton, Yonkers; John E. Pound, Lockport; Geo. B. Fenton, Broadalbin; W. A. Choate, Brookview; Judge Geo. B. Turner, John E. Myer, Auburn; Mrs. Helen M. Greenhow, Hornellsville; Jas. T. Sugden, Amsterdam; A. B. Blodgett, Syracuse; Thos. H. Bennett, Canandaigua; E. G. Lantman, Port Chester; Z. B. Whitney, Gloversville, and many others.

Alluring Coffee.

Nearly Killed the Nurse.

When one of the family is sick, Mother seems to be the only person who can tenderly nurse the patient back to health. But we forget sometimes that it is pretty hard on Mother.

Mrs. Propst of Albany, Ore., says:—"About twenty-seven months ago, Father suffered with a stroke of paralysis, confining him to his bed for months, and as he wished Mother with him constantly, his care in a great measure fell to her lot. She was seventy-four years old, and through constant attendance upon my father, lost both sleep and rest, and began drinking coffee in quantities until finally she became very weak, nervous and ill herself.

By her physician's order, she began giving Father both Postum Food Coffee and Grape-Nuts, and in that way began using both herself. The effect was very noticeable. Father improved rapidly, and Mother regained her strength and health, and now both are well and strong. Mother says it is all due to the continued use of both Postum and Grape-Nuts."

Southern California School Directors form an Association.

A large gathering of school board members, representing the leading cities of Southern California, convened at Santa Ana during the fore part of the last month. The purpose was to form a permanent organization, to be known as the Association of School Directors of Southern California.

F. H. Taft, of Santa Monica, was chosen temporary chairman of the meeting; O. M. Robbins, of Santa Ana, temporary seretary, and the following committees were appointed:

On Permanent Organization—Hon. Lyman Evans, Riverside (chairman); J. W. Chase, Arlington; Victor Montgomery, Santa, Ana.

On Resolutions—F. H. Taft, Santa Monica; E. E. Keech, Santa Ana; S. C. Evans, Jr., Riverside.

After this preliminary business, Hon. Lyman Evans, of Riverside, read a paper on "Our School Laws," which was followed by a general discussion, led by E. E. Keech, Victor Montgomery, S. C. Evans, Jr., J. C. Templeron and Dr. Head.

Immediately after the noon recess the meeting reconvened and adopted the reports of the committees on permanent organization and resolutions. The following are the officers elected:

President—Lyman Evans of Riverside; vicepresident—G. R. Steffa of Pomona; secretary and treasurer—O. M. Robbins of Santa Ana.

The purpose of the association is stated as follows:

"Resolved. That the purposes of the organization are to improve our knowledge and efficiency as school officers, and to consider the school laws and matters pertaining to our schools from the standpoint of those who patronize and maintain them, as well as from the standpoint of those who instruct the pupils."

Meetings will be held annually at a place to be selected by the executive committee.

During the afternoon a paper on "The Accrediting System" was read by O. M. Robbins, followed by a general discussion.

Among resolutions that were adopted are the following:

"Resolved, That the School Directors' Association of Southern California believe that the best interests of the schools of our state require that the people take a more general interest in proposed school legislation, and we therefore request all school directors of the state to organize in the various counties and carefully consider all proposed changes in school law at the next general assembly, in order to assist in promoting wise and prevent unwise legislation.

"Resolved. That our grammar and high schools should have courses of study complete in themselves, furnishing the best possible preparation for life in the time given;

"Resolved, That
the law which takes
away from county
boards of education
the power to grant
high school certificates and practically
vesting that power in
the state board of education is a denial of
local self-government,
and has a tendency to
promote the formation of a state educational trust;

"Resolved, That while we yield to none in our loyalty to our State University and other advanced educational institutions, we will hold that our high and graded schools are safest, and will best accomplish their purposes, when left to the control of their respective committees."

The association, which is the first of its kind in the state, has been put upon a permanent basis, and is ready to fill an important place. The resolutions quoted in the foregoing paragraphs are indicative of the sentiments of the association, and it is to be presumed that it will attempt

to carry out the reforms which are hinted at in

Chicago, Ill. The Hyde Park school is governed by the pupils on the Junior Republic principle. Each room elects in regular form a representative to a body, which is partly legislative and partly executive in its functions, called the senate. This body formulates a code of laws and appoints a corps of tribunes to carry them out. These laws are read to the students in each room and carefully explained, so that the reasons for their adoption and the methods of their enforcement are clearly understood, and they are posted in conspicuous places. It is said that the results already manifest are many and far-reaching. They penetrate every function of school life and influence all its relations. There is a

better spirit displayed throughout the school and it is the general verdict of the teachers that it is a success.

Omaha, Neb. Principal Waterhouse of the high school has ordered all mirrors, including hand glasses from the school building. "There is no time for any such vanity," he said.

The girls of the school are indignant. They declare the principal is inconsistent. They point out that last summer he barred shirtwaists and forbade girls wearing short-sleeved dresses or rolling up their sleeves on the excuse that he wished to have the students present a neat appearance. The rule even extends to the gymnasium, where the girls must dress without the use of a glass.

Chicago, Ill. A lunch room has been fitted up in the John Marshall High School.



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Primary Teacher—My, no! He is too young

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Grammar Teacher—Don't be facetious. What's his profession?

Primary Teacher-Really, I don't know. I believe I'm the object of his calling.

Teacher-Now, I told you yesterday that a "conjunction" is something that connects. Johnnie, you may give me an example of a conjunction. Johnnie--A couplin' pin, ma'am.



Miss Grammar-I thought you had decided to embrace the profession of teaching!

Miss Normal-Yes; but a profession of love came my way and I decided to embrace that.

"Geschichtslehrer: "Ich habe Ihnen von der großen Schlacht bei Gravelotte erzählt. Welche Elitetruppe zeichnete sich bort besonders aus?"

Sobere Tochter: Die-bie Gardelieutenants!"

In ber Conntags:

fchule. Lehrer:,, Borausgefest, Du warest ein König, was murbeft Du thun?"

Tommy: "Ich wurde niemals mehr mein Geficht mafchen!"

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One evening the members of the household gathered in the back parlor for a social chat. The simple dinner had seemed a great feast to Thomas, and he was in a most blissful mood. He leaned back in his chair, closed his eyes, and softly sang a familiar street song.

"Thomas," remonstrated Mrs. Brown, "it isn't good manners to hum in company.'

"But," answered Thomas, quick as a flash, "when I'm to hum I ain't in company, be I?"

A timid woman presented herself at the Toledo board of education rooms.

"I have a little boy who runs away from school," she said. "Will you tell me where 1 can find the intruding officer?"

What He Learned.

Mother: "Did you learn anything at Sunday school to-day?

Bobbie: "Yes'm."
Mother: "What did you learn?"

Bobbie: "That Adam was a orphint."

Small Boy (just home from school): "Papa, what does gozinta mean?"

Father: "I don't know, my son. Where did you hear that word?"

Boy: "At school. I heard the teacher say "6 gozinta 12 twice."

"How would you define 'exercise,' as distinguished from 'work'?" asked the teacher.
"Exercise," answered Johnny, "is work you

like to do, and work is exercise you don't like to

Bobbie (repeating his lesson before going to Sunday school): "And then caught hold of the two pillars and pulled and pulled, and he was so strong that he pulled down the whole temple." But I can't remember what his name was.

Mother: "Come, Bobbie, you ought to remember that; it begins with S.

Bobbie: "Of course I know-Sandow!"

His Great Fear.

Kind Lady-What are you crying about, little boy !

Little Boy-My little bruther has th' measles an' can't go to school.

Kind Lady-Ah, I see-you are afraid you'll catch 'em?

Little Boy-No, I'm afraid I won't.



School Director-But now that you are married and have a husband, you ought to resign.

Teacher-Goodness gracious! I secured a husband simply because I am teaching.

An artist was called upon by a young woman who said she would like to take half a dozen lessons in painting, in case the terms were satisfactory. She asked him what he would charge to give her that number of lessons.

"Well," said he, "have you ever had any instruction or practice in drawing or painting?"

"No," said she, "I have not."

"Then I must tell you," said he, "that half a dozen lessons would be of very little use to you. Before you should think of attempting to paint, you should learn something of drawing."

"Oh, well," explained the young woman, "I haven't any idea of becoming an artist; I only wanted to learn enough so I can teach!

"Molly, I wish you would be a better little girl," said a mother to her little daughter. "You have no idea how sorry I am to learn that your teacher is compelled to scold you."

"Don't worry about it, mamma," was the reply; "I am not one of those sensitive children. Half the time I don't hear what she says."

Quite Up to Expectations.

"Your father was disappointed in your monthly report, of course?" said the school teacher.

"No, ma'am," replied the dull scholar.

"No? You don't mean to tell me he was satisfied with it?"

"No, ma'am, but he said he hadn't expected to be satisfied with it."

A Very Correct Answer.

A youngster in a suburban school was asked by the master what most people found, even in warm countries, when they got to the top of a high mountain.

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BY PROF. F. SOLDAN, SUPERINTENDENT CITY SCHOOLS, ST. LOUIS.

Public opinion has not infrequently abused the term "fad" and branded with it almost every progressive movement in education. When I asked a prominent teacher: "What is a fad?" he answered promptly: "Anything is called a fad which is done in a different way from that in which somebody was taught when he was a child."

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Perhaps the most dangerous fads are not of the teacher's creation, but originate in the community itself.

The people are collectively honest, and their verdict is wise. Opinions of classes and individuals, however, no matter how loudly or emphatically expressed, are at times unwise. The history of past decades has seen the rise of many, and the decline of some, of the fads of this origin. There is, for instance, the faddish idea that a laborer needs no education, that workmen are spoiled by too much schooling; there is the "three R'

The "quick promotion" fad has done immeasurable harm. Children, against the wish and view of their teacher, have, in places, been forced into higher grades than the one for which they were fit, and their educational progress has been impaired and ruined thereby. The teacher and principal who in such cases quietly and pleasantly, but at the same time firmly, stands his ground is a blessing to the child and to the parent. One cannot help thinking in this connection more leniently of Rousseau's paradox: "The aim of education is not to gain time, but

to lose it."

fad; there is the "education makes criminals"

One of the worst fads of our day is the "extreme indulgence" fad. The practice is bad which lets the child have his way when he is unreasonable, and lets him regulate his relations to school and home in accordance with his pleasure instead of in accordance with clear duties. "I wish you would make him come to time," said a kind mother to a teacher who had sent for her on account of the frequent tardiness of the child, but the fact is, I cannot make him get up in the morning, and he will not go to bed when it is If the parent abdicates the educational control of his child, he makes a pernicious error and indulges in a common, but objectionable fad. The child must be taught to be faithful to his little duties as soon as his power in any direction is adequate to this educational demand.

Prof. C. O. Schoenrich, of Baltimore, Md., in an address delivered before the German-American Teachers' convention, recently held at Detroit, urged the study, in the school room, of current events and daily topics as of prime importance. The following extract from his speech shows in how high esteem he holds the reputable daily newspaper. He said:

"Only 5 per cent. of the pupils ever go through the high schools, and the majority of pupils leave the schools before they finish the sixth school year. They ought to get a good understanding of their surroundings, be prepared for actual life and citizenship, and, to this end, daily topics should be made a study.

"This aim can be reached by using the daily newspapers in the school room, and by this means the pupils will be taught how to learn from the greatest educator of our time—the press. Most all of the pupils read the newspapers at home, but there are newspapers and newspapers, and there is a great difference between keeping the young people intelligently in-

formed of what is going on from day to day in the great world outside of the schoolroom and the mere discussion of inane subjects.

"Let us lead our pupils to discriminate and acquire a taste for the reputable daily newspaper—their teacher through life—which is not only a faithful contemporary historian, but also a daily repository of the world's work in whatsoever field it may be engaged."

What Causes Deafness.

The Principal Cause is Curable but Generally Overlooked.

Many things may cause deafness, and very often it is difficult to trace a cause. Some people inherit deafness. Acute diseases like scarlet



fever sometimes cause deafness. But by far the most common cause of loss of hearing is catarrh of the head and throat.

A prominent specialist on ear troubles gives as his opinion that nine out of ten cases of deafness is traced to throat trouble; this is probably overstated, but it is certainly true that more than half of all cases of poor hearing were caused by catarrh.

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The third book of two New Jersey superintendents, A. J. Demarest and William Van Sickle, has been issued in the series of New Education Readers by the American Book Company. It is devoted especially to the development of obscure vowels, initials and terminals, mapped out according to the months of the year. The authors have selected their stories and poems so that the Pilgrims appear in November, Christmas games in December and snow-balling in January. The book aims to develop even in the earliest years a literary taste. Such authors as Helen Hunt Jackson, Alice Cary, Celia Thaxter and Hans Anderson have been drawn on for the material. The pictures by F. S. Church. Gleeson, C. S. Reinhart, W. Read, Paul King and others are specially good.

"Arithmetic Without a Pencil," just published by D. C. Heath & Company, gives 200 pages of mental arithmetic lessons, graded for beginners, and carrying the work through the primary grades.

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Newspapers and periodicals.

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Church and charity.

Public spirit.

Amusements and concerts, etc. 13.

Car fare and travel (not recreative). 14.

Extra expense for summer outing. 15

Health, doctor, dentist, medicine.

Insurance premiums, life and fire. If a man be a teacher, physician, or in

any other profession, add for special periodicals, societies, conventions and mutual benefit funds.

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Other items, specify.

Sinking fund that aught to be laid aside each year for emergencies.

Total yearly estimate for a good living-\$... Basis of estimates for yearly cost of good liv-

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Room.

2 Board.

3. Service. 4. Clothing.

Newspaper and periodical literature.

6. Books.

Church and charity, etc. 7.

Amusements, concerts, etc.

9. Car fare and travel (not recreative).

10. Extra expense for summer outing. 11.

Health, doctor, dentist, medicine. Insurance premiums, life and fire.

13. Professional literature, societies and con-

14. Other items, specify.

15. Sinking fund that ought to be laid aside each year for emergencies.

Total yearly estimate for a good living-\$...

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CONNECTICUT.

New Haven-Archts. Cady, Berg & See, 31st and 17th York City, planned the new building for Yale University.

Gainesville—A \$20,000 school will be erected here, according to plans of J. W. Golucke, architect, Atlanta, Ga.

ILLINOIS

Chicago—Archts. Shepley, Rutan & Coolidge, Old Colony bldg., are preparing plans for a \$200,000 build-ing for the University of Chicago. Warsaw—Archts. Reeves & Baillie, Y. M. C. A. bldg., have drawn plans for a \$20,000 school to be erected.

INDIANA.

Connersville-Archts. Patton & Miller, 153 La Salle street, Chicago, Ill., with Archts. Reed & Heckenlively, 302 College bldg., Springfield, Mo., as associates, have had their plans accepted for a \$46,000 high school. Jonesboro—New school contemplated.

INDIAN TERRITORY.

Ardmore-\$25,000 bonds have been issued for new school; R. W. Dick, mayor.

IOWA.
Eaglegrove—A public library to be built; Eugene Schaffter, secretary library board. Creston—Archt. W. S. Joseph has prepared plans for a new school.

KENTUCKY.

contemplated; J. W. Wickliffe-A new school Strohm, clerk. LOUISIANA

-Archt. I. C. Carter, 818 Ryan street, Lake Charles, Ia., drew plans for new school.

MAINE Bath-The plans of Wm. R. Miller, architect, Lewis ton, Me., have been selected for new school to be built.

MARYLAND. Eastport—Archt. Otto Gottschall, Annapolis, Md., has plans for the \$8,000 school to be built. Owings Mills—Archt. Jackson C. Gott, Baltimore, has plans for an administration building for Maryland School for

Feeble Minded; \$100,000.

MASSACHUSETTS

Winchester—Archt. H. D. Hale, 15 Exchange street, Boston, has drawn plans for the new school to be erected. Brockton—A \$200,000 high school will be built. Worcester—Archt. J. W. Donahue, Springfield, Mass., is completing plans for a 12-room school for St. Anne's parish, Rev. J. P. Tuite, pastor. MICHIGAN.

Port Huron-Archts. Patton & Miller, 153 La Salle street, Chicago, Ill., with Archt. Geo. L. Harvey, Port Huron, as associate, had their plans accepted for the Huron, as associate, had their plans accepted for the \$40,000 Carnegie library to be erected. Painesdale—Alexander C. Eschweller, Goldsmith bldg., Milwaukee, planned the Sarah Sargent Paine Memorial library to be erected; \$30,000. Delray—Archts. Malcomson & Higginbotham, 53 Moffat bldg., Detroit, Mich., have prepared plans for a 15-room school to be erected.

MINNESOTA.

Nassau—Archt. E. S. Stebbins, Minneapolis, Minn.,

to be erected; \$8,000.

MISSOURI.

MISSOURI.

Kansas City—\$500,000
is to be used for new schools here. St. Louis

—Archt. C. W. Pomeroy,
4338 Delmar boulevard, has prepared plans for an addition to school;
\$2,500 \$2,500.

NEBRASKA.

Falls City-Archt. Hoffer has prepared plans for the new school to be erected. Naper— Archt. Lou Vaughan, Blair, Neb., drew plans for a \$2,000 school.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

Manchester — Archts. Chickering & O'Connell have prepared plans for a school addition for Rev. D. M. Bradley; \$5,000.

NEW JERSEY.

Bernardsville — Archt.
P. C. Van Nuys, Somerville, N. J., has prepared plans for a 4-room school to be erected; \$7,000.

NEW MEXICO.

Floravista-A new school contemplated.

NEW YORK.

New York City-Archts. McKim, Mead & White, 160 Fifth avenue, have plans for a \$65,000 building for the New York public library, 40 Lafayette place. School No. 5 will be rebuilt, according to plans of Edw. W. Loth, architect, 253 Broadway. New York City—Archt. C. B. J. Snyder, Park avenue and 59th street, has plans for two schools, on Amethyst, near Morris Park avenue; \$65,000. Rotterdam Junction-Two schools to be erected; N. V. Buys, trustee, District No. 4. Ithaca-Archts. Carriere & Hastings, New York, City, are preparing plans for new hall of physics for Cornell University. Binghamton-Plans for the \$75,000 Carnegie library are being drawn. Write I. T. Deyo and C. F. McCormack for information.

OHIO.

St. Martin-Architect Edward Schlochtermeyer, Linn and Hopkins streets, Cincinnati, is drawing plans for Catholic school to be built. Lancaster—Architects Rich-ards, McCarty & Bulford, Ruggery building, Columbus, O., have plans for a building for the Boys' State Industrial School to be erected; \$45,000. McClure—A new school to be erected, planned by Kramer & Harpster, architects, Findlay, O. Canton—A library to be erected, planned by Guy Tilden, architect, 34 Schaefer block Athens-A new building at the Ohio University has been approved by the governor; \$45,000; Frank L. Packard, Columbus, O., is the architect. Cleveland—St. Colman's congregation has decided to build a 12-room school; Rev. James O'Leary. Hudson—An administra-tion building to be erected for the Cleveland Training Home for Boys; Harris R. Coolen, director of charities and correction, Cleveland, O. Akron—A building to be added to Buchtel College; Herbert Briggs, architect, Cleveland, O. Cambridge

-A public school library to be erected according to plans of Frank L.
Packard, architect, Columbus, O. Cleveland—
Archt. W. P. Ginther,
Akron, O., has prepared plans for a 12-room school for St. Colman's congregation, Rev. James O'Leary, pastor; \$5,000.

PENNSYLVANIA. Harbourville — J. W. Erie, Pa., drew plans for new 4-room school to be built. Philadelphia—Architect J. Horace Cook, City Hall, drew

J. A. Quandt, of Quandt Brewing Co. M. A. Quandt, of Quandt Brew. Co., Troy, N. Y. J. J. O'Hare, of Quandt Brew. Co., New York, Foot E. 3d Street New York City... (MENTION THIS PAPER) plans for the new \$50,000 school at Second and Wolf streets. Coatesville—Architect H. G. Dagit, Philadel-phia, Pa., has plans for a parochial school for St. Ce-

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cilia's Roman Catholic Church; \$10,000. Bryn Maur—Bryn Maur College will erect new \$200,000 library; W. Gray, superintendent. Meadville—Architect Edw. J. Lewis, Boston, Mass., has completed plans for a \$20,000 college at the Meadville Theological School. Sharon—Architects Dennison & Miller, Crandall block, Youngstown, O. here of the plans for a \$2,000 college at the Meadville Theological School.

rown, O., have plans for a 12-room school; \$60,000.

Philadelphia—Archt. J. Horace Cook, city hall, planned the school to be erected at 57th street and Haverford avenue. Scranton—Archt. Edward Langley, Connell bidg., has plans for a manual training school at Adams and Pine streets, to cost \$40,000. Wilkesbarre—Archt. W. W. Neuer, Jr., 80 Hill street, has plans for a school in Plains Township. Pittsburg—Archt. Sidney F. Heckert, Stevenson bldg., is preparing plans for a \$50,000 Catholic school. Windber—A 12-room school to be erected; Orlando J. Shank, president,

Tillamook-Architect Chas. Burggraf, Albany, Ore., drew plans for the \$5,000 school to be built for Dis-

OKLAHOMA.

Okeene-New school contemplated; H. A. Hastings,

RHODE ISLAND.

Pawtucket-Architects Wm. R. Walker & Son, Providence, R. I., drew plans for a \$30,000 school to be built.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

Edgefield—Architects Wheeler & Runge, Charlotte, S. C., are preparing plans for a new school to be erected.

SOUTH DAKOTA.

Roubaix—Architect Chas. A. Randall, Waite building, Deadwood, S. D., is preparing plans for a 3-room school to be built here. Huron—Architect Arthur W. Cole, 715 Marquette building, Chicago, Ill., is preparing plans for three college buildings for Huron College; \$40,000 to \$50,000.

TENNESSEE.

Wartrace .- A \$5.000 college to be erected by the People's Training School. Franklin.—Architects Brown & Brown, 126 N. Spruce Street, Nashville, have plans for a new school; \$12,000. South Knoxville—A \$3,700 school to be erected, planned by L. C. Waters, architect, same city. Springhill.—Architects Brown & Brown, 126 same city. Springhill.—Architects Brown & Brown, 126 N. Spruce Street, Nashville, Tenn., have plans for new \$3,000 school. Knoxville.—An addition will be built to the Moses school (white). Address John W. Green, president.

TEXAS.

Temple-Glenn Allen, architect, Waco, Tex., drew plans for a \$10,000 library.

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school. Sweetwater—Glenn Allen, architect, Waco, Tex..., planned the new school. Richmond—C. H. Page, Jr., architect, Austin, Tex., designed school to be erected. Lewisville—Architect Overton Parr, of the Nelson Architect Co., Sherman, Texas, has prepared plans for new school to

Castlegate—School to be erected; W. D. MacLean, nairman. Ogden—4 additional school rooms to be chairman. erected to Pingree school, according to plans of Smith & Lilley, architects, 319 Eccles Building.

East Jordan.—An S-room school to be erected according to plans of J. A. Headlund & Co., architects, 523-24 Dooly Bidg., Salt Lake City. Weber.—Architects F. C. Woods & Co., 56-57 First National Bank Bidg., Ogden, Utah, drew plans for the West Weber school. Spring-ville.—R. C. Watkins, architect, Provo, Utah., planned new school.

VIRGINIA.

Old Point Comfort—Architect Thos. C. Kennedy, 113 N. Charles Street, Baltimore, Md., drew plans for an addition to Old Point Comfort College. Norfolk—Ar-chitect Vance Hebbard, 76 Charlotte St, is preparing chitect Vance Hebbard, 76 Charlotte St, 18 preparing plans for a school in the Seventh ward; \$16,000. Newport News—Architect H. C. Snead has plans for Hampton Roads Military Academy; \$40,000. Bridgewater—Architects W. M. Bucher & Son, Harrisburg, Va., are preparing plans for school for Bridgewater College; \$15,000. Glencarlyn—Archt. Clarence T. Harding, 1316 G street, N. W. Washington, D. C., has prepared plans for a school to be erected here. Burkeville—Architect D. E. Sheridan, 6117 Penn avenue, Pittsburg, Pa., planned a 4-story school for the Ingleside Seminary, \$20,000.

WASHINGTON.

Dayton .- A school to be erected in District No. 2: E. W. Clark, clerk. Hartline.—Bonds to the amount of \$4,000 have been issued for new school.

WEST VIRGINIA.

Elkins.—\$10,000 has been subscribed towards a new Elkins College. Dr. A. H. Hamilton may be addressed. Clarksburg.—Architect E. J. Wood has plans for a 4-room school.

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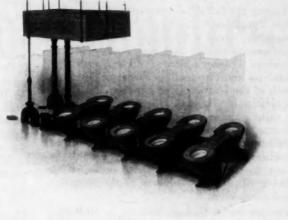
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Bloomer—A \$10,000 new high school to be erected. Kenosha—Architects Dickinson & Gaastra have prepared plans for a school for District No. 2, for Town of Somers; \$2,000. Wausaukee—Architect Derrick Hubert, Menominee, Mich., has prepared plans for a liigh school to be erected; \$8,000. Wildrose—Architects Van Ryn & DeGelleke, Milwaukee, Wis., have prepared plans for a \$10,000 school. Parkfalls—A. E. Parkinson, architect, Sparta, Wis., drew plans for the new \$5,000 architect, Sparta, Wis., drew plans for the new \$5,000 school. Viola—An addition to be erected to school here. A. E. Parkinson, architect. Bloomer—A \$15,000 school to be built, planned by A. E. Parkinson, architect. Bruce—A \$10,000 school to be erected, planned by A. E. Parkinson, architect. Reedsburg—\$30,000 bonds to be voted on for new high school. For day day Ass. Architects. voted on for new high school. Fond du Lac-Architects Van Ryn & DeGelleke, 211 Grand Avenue, Milwaukee, planned the \$50,000 library to be erected here. Milwaukee—Architect Geo. C. Ehlers, 758 Third street, drew plans for the Twentieth Ward school to be built. Taycheedah—A new school to be erected, planned by Architect A. D. Werner. Hilbert-An \$8,000 school

Rice Lake-School to be erected in District No. 3, town of Stanfold; L. M. Knutson, clerk. Luck—A new school contemplated. Write Charles Paulson. Green school contemplated. Write Charles Paulson. Green Bay—Archt. H. A. Foeller has prepared plans for a new wing to St. Joseph's Academy for Young Ladies; \$8,000. Mineral Point—\$30,000 bonds to be voted on for new school. Ed. Brown, city clerk. Milwaukee—A new school to be erected in the Nineteenth ward. An appropriation of \$150,000 has been asked for new high appropriation of \$150,000 has been asked for new high ool on north side.

CANADA.

St. John, New Brunswick-Architect G. E. Fairweath er drew plans for the Carnegie library to be erected

Ottawa, Ontario—The new library to be erected here was planned by G. M. Bayly, architect.

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Parents are permitted to file with the principal a written request that their children be not corporally punished. Such children may be suspended for disorder, idleness and inattention to duties, for a period of not more than ten days for each offense; but no such child can be readmitted after a third suspension without the action of the board.

Cleveland, O. Dr. J. C. Culbertson believes in prohibiting principals, teachers or janitors from inflicting corporal punishment upon the person of pupils. He would instead assign all unruly children to a room set apart for the reception of such pupils.

Crystal Falls, Mich. The teachers have been served with notice that they must not attend dances or other social functions which keep them out after 11 o'clock at night if school is in session the following day. Dismissal is the penalty for violation.

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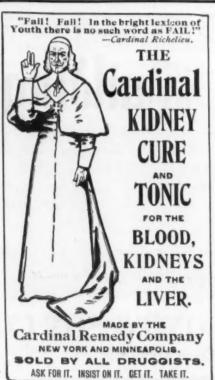
Another is "A College Manual of Rhetoric," by Professor Charles Sears Baldwin of Yale University. This book meets a distinct need in advanced classes in rhetoric and that it gives promise of firmly establishing itself is seen by its immediate adoption in such institutions as the University of Chicago, Yale University, Boston University, and other schools of like standing.

Another book of distinctive character is "Interpretive Reading: A Manual of Rhetoric and Oratory for Use in Colleges, Normal and Secondary Schools," by Cora Marsland of the Kansas State Normal School. The three main divisions of this book are: Interpretive Reading, Breathing, Vocal Culture and Gesture. The selections in the book, of which there are some sixty, are among the choicest pieces of literature. For classes in normal schools especially, or any school doing work in elecution and oratory, Miss Märsland's book will fit admirably.

A new book by Professor C. W. Oman of Oxford University always commands attention. This time we have "Seven Roman Statesmen of the Later Republic: The Gracchi, Sulla, Crassus, Cato, Pompey, Caesar." This book is a series of studies of leading men of the century, intended to show the importance of the personal element in those miserable days of storm and stress. The book is one of value to the student of history and is written in excellent style. A new edition of Professor Oman's "History of Greece," revised and enlarged, has recently been published.

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One of the successful elementary English histories was "English History for Americans," by T. W. Higginson and Professor Edward Channing. This book has passed through several editions and has now been re-written and enlarged by the authors and many new maps added, with the result that this well-known book is now one of the best text-books on English history on the market. Dr. Harris, United States Commissioner of Education, characterizes this book as "the best introduction to the study of English history ever made."

Chicago, Ill. A means of helping the teachers to become more valuable in their positions is a new rule which permits the superintendent to grant a leave of absence to successful teachers, who wish to study in universities or abroad. The teacher taking advantage of this offer will secure the leave, but will receive no salary while absent.

West Hazelton, Pa. Monthly school examinations have been discarded; but two examinations are to be held each year.

Henderson, Ky. All teachers are required to open school with prayer or songs.

Lincoln, Neb. Dancing is not permitted in the high schools.

Oakland, Cal. No school can hold a festival, exhibition, convention, excursion or picnic unless authorized by the board.

Lead, S. D. The practice of teachers and pupils attending evening parties and entertainments during the school week is discouraged by the board.

Iron Mountain, Mich. The board purchased a printing outfit to be used by the pupils in publishing the school paper and do the printing for the school board. All work will be done by the pupils of the high school.

Rochester, N. Y. There is a complete system of sanitary inspection of the schools, frequent reports being made to the health authorities, by inspectors, on printed blanks and covering all sanitary points of each school building, and no new schools have been built for a long time, the plans for which have not been approved by the health officers as regards sanitation, ventilation and heating and amount of air space per occupant of the school.

Dallas, Tex. The old system of examinations has passed, but examinations are required at certain times in the grammar grades and the high school. In defense of examinations Joseph Morgan, principal of the high school, says: "Doing away with examinations and leaving promotion entirely to the 'judgment of the teacher' exposes that teacher to the criticism of every pupil who fails, and most likely to the ill-will of every interested relative of that pupil. And the more conscientious the teacher is the more liable she is to the criticism and ill-will. Moreover, it leaves with the teacher a responsibility that should rest largely upon a pupil of suitable age."



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